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Trump and Biden supporters wave flags at passing traffic on Election Day in St. Joseph, symbolizing the red vs. blue division that continues to split America virtually in half along ideological lines.

Election panel: Take a deep breath

LMC professors discuss election results, implications

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — Be patient and take a deep breath.

That was the mantra repeated at the beginning and end of a post-election panel held online by Lake Michigan College on Wednesday.

While the country waited to see who would be president for the next four years, the panel provided analysis of election results and discussed the implications for the country's political landscape heading into 2021.

Political science professor Tiffany Bohm and psychology professors Mya Hernandez and Amy Scrima answered questions from the public, which ranged from worst-case scenarios to how effective polling was this year.

Residents vote at the Zion St. Joe United Church of Christ in St. Joseph on Tuesday.

Bohm, who led the discussion, used data from FiveThirtyEight, ABC News and the Michigan secretary of state.

"This is a period of uncertainty," she said. "Some things we are aware of. Some things we are not."

One thing that was a certainty by Wednesday morning was the record voter turnout across the country. Bohm said close to 160 million people voted, for a voter turnout of 67 percent.

Bohm pointed out that such a turnout is very rare for the U.S. She said the last time there was this high of a turnout was in 1900.

Michigan saw a rise in participation, particularly among younger voters. There was a 13 percent voter turnout for 18- to 29-year-olds, which was substantial compared to previous presidential elections.

One of the questioners asked what the worst-case scenario is for how long it may take before the next president is known.

This comes as President Donald Trump and his campaign have mounted legal challenges in Michigan and

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Jittery public awaits news as presidency remains in flux

By MATT SEDENSKY
AP National Writer

PHILADELPHIA — They clung to their cocktails and proclaimed themselves sick with dread. They relentlessly checked the news and went outdoors for fresh air. They bemoaned a wipeout wave that never came and held out hope their favored candidate still would eke out a win.

With the fate of the White House undecided Wednesday, a jittery and bitterly divided America braced for rocky days to come and the possibility a man they despise would be leading the nation.

"I can't turn on the news. I don't feel good at all," said 61-year-old Tammy Lewandowski, a supporter of President Donald Trump in Milwaukee, where former Vice President Joe Biden emerged as the state's winner. That's an outcome Lewandowski fears will amount to a loss of law and order and rioting. "I feel like we lost our country. I don't know that anything will be the same again."

On the other side of the divide but just as troubled, women gathering at a Fems for Dems gathering in the affluent Detroit suburb of Bloomfield Hills moaned and dropped their heads into their hands as the returns came in early Wednesday, some considering switching from red wine to tequila. Even as they held out hope, they knew they hadn't won what they wanted: a nationwide repudiation of Trump.

"I honestly feel like I'm going to have a heart attack before the end of this," said Denice Asbell. "I feel like it's slipping. I'm scared to say this out loud, but the potential for us to see the win that we wanted is slipping away."

Asbell's daughter, 13-year-old Rhegan Stallworth, shared the angst as she braced for the outcome in a country where many don't understand the beliefs of the opposing side.

"It's like putting your life in the hands of a nation that you don't trust," said Stallworth.

Votes were still being counted across the country and likely will be for days to come as Biden and Trump both remain short of the necessary 270 electoral votes to win. Nothing was out of the ordinary in that process beyond a predicted surge of mail-in votes, but the lack of certainty wore on a public exhausted by a seemingly endless campaign, and all the attacks, vitriol and costly TV commercials that go with it.

An answer was all but certain to be delayed by

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ELECTION 2020

Paquette wins re-election in 78th state House race

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

PAQUETTE

NILES — Republican state House Rep. Brad Paquette cruised to re-election Tuesday in the race for state rep. in the 78th District.

The final tally of results came in at about 3:30 p.m. Wednesday showing Paquette with 28,484 votes and Democrat Dan VandenHeede with 16,301 votes.

Andrew Warner, of the Natural Law Party, garnered 638 votes. There were 70 write-ins.

This will be Paquette's second term in the state House. He is a former Niles teacher.

Paquette, 33, said in a Facebook post to supporters Wednesday afternoon that serving as a state representative is the highest honor of his life.

"I will continue being a solid conservative legislator at the capitol with a consistent drive to find common ground with my colleagues across the aisle. Figuring out ways to get around the few issues where we disagree

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Gorenflo, Bell are tied in race for county board seat

Board of canvassers will now examine results to check for errors

GORENFLO

BELL

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

It could take up to two weeks for voters to know who won the District 5 seat on the Berrien County Board of Commissioners during Tuesday's election.

Republican Bruce Gorenflo and Democrat Rayonte Bell at the moment are tied, with both receiving 3,934 votes in the unofficial results. The incumbent, Bill Chickering, is retiring.

Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler said that sometimes when the members of the board of canvassers are looking over the election results, they find errors that change the vote totals. The board of canvassers, which starts meeting this afternoon, has 14 days to certify an election.

If the candidates are still tied after that process is completed, Tyler said a time would be set for them to draw lots from a box. Whoever draws the lot

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2 of 3 incumbents return to LMC board

By TONY WITTKOWSKI
HP Staff Writer

BURGHDOFF

JOHNSON

TOMASINI

BENTON TOWNSHIP — One newcomer will join two incumbents on Lake Michigan College's Board of Trustees.

After a bevy of absentee ballots pushed the official count to Wednesday, the top three vote-getters among the six candidates were newcomer Vicki Burghdoff, along with incumbents Debra Johnson and Mary Jo Tomasini.

Each seat carries a six-year term.

Between the vote totals in Berrien and Van Buren counties, Tomasini collected the most, with 32,224. She was followed by Johnson, 29,504, and Burghdoff, 24,214. Trailing behind were Paul Bergan, 22,223, James McGee, 18,234, and Phil Oretsky, 11,377.

Johnson and Tomasini retained their seats of the community college's board, while Paul Bergan – who has served on LMC's board for 24 years – will not return.

Burghdoff, 65, has a bachelor's degree in psychology and a masters in

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Trump, Biden coalitions show race, class divide

By JOSH BOAK and HANNAH FINGERHUT
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Americans sorted themselves into two distinct camps in the presidential election, exposing the clear and entrenched partisan divisions that separate voters by gender, class and race.

Despite a once-in-a-century pandemic and a weakened economy, some 76 percent of U.S. voters said they knew all along who they would support – and they constituted the bulk of the supporters for both President Donald Trump and former Vice President Joe Biden, according to AP VoteCast, an expansive survey of the voters nationwide.

The candidates' supporters fell into familiar coalitions, with only a few groups showing significant numbers of swing voters. The divisions reflected a persistent polarization that appeared to be driven in part by voters' strong feelings about the provocative president. About two-thirds of all voters said their decision was about Trump – either for or against.

Biden amassed a sizable and diverse coalition of young, women, college-educated, urban and Black voters, groups that powered his party's 2018 midterm victories. Some 38 percent of his support came from voters of color.

Trump, meanwhile, marshaled his overwhelmingly white and rural supporters to turn out voters in the places that anchored his victory four years ago. He held on to 62 percent of white voters without a college degree, despite Biden's hopes of peeling off large numbers of them. And in some competitive states, like Nevada and Florida, Trump ate away at Biden's support among Latinos.

The candidates were locked in a close and unsettled race Wednesday, with election officials continuing to count votes in key battlegrounds. Turnout for both parties appeared to be strong as voters expressed anxiety about the country's future. Six in 10 voters – including most Biden voters and about a quarter of Trump voters – said the nation was on the wrong track.

AP VoteCast is a nationwide survey of more than 133,000 voters and nonvoters conducted for The Associated Press by NORC at the University of Chicago.

The two competing coalitions aligned behind different priorities for the country, and had two diverging views on which candidate could better address those worries. More voters – both nationwide and in key battlegrounds – said the former vice president would be better able to handle the coronavirus pandemic, the top concern for 41 percent of voters.

LOTTERIES

Wednesday drawings

Michigan
Classic Lotto 47
02-16-24-25-37-42
Midday Daily 3
1-5-4
Midday Daily 4
4-1-4-0
Daily 3
3-1-0
Daily 4
6-0-5-4
Fantasy 5
05-06-11-36-39
Keno
02-07-17-18-20-21-22-25-26-27-30-36-37-43-48-49-53-54-56-57-79-80
Mega Millions jackpot
$142 million
Powerball jackpot
$137 million

Tuesday drawings

Michigan
Mega Millions
07-31-44-45-55, Mega Ball: 19, Megaplier: 3
Indiana
Cash 5
11-16-25-30-42
Cash4Life
03-08-09-29-34, Cash Ball: 1
Quick Draw Midday
01-02-06-08-14-32-41-46-48-49-51-52-58-60-66-67-69-70-71-72, BE: 49
Daily Three-Midday
6-8-5, SB: 1
Daily Three-Evening
4-6-2, SB: 6
Daily Four-Midday
3-2-4-2, SB: 1
Daily Four-Evening
8-0-0-5, SB: 6
Quick Draw Evening
04-10-12-14-15-16-19-23-29-32-44-49-51-60-62-63-64-67-69-74, BE: 15
Illinois
LuckyDay Lotto Midday
09-15-28-31-37
Pick Three-Midday
6-4-2, Fireball: 3
Pick Three-Evening
7-6-1, Fireball: 9
Pick Four-Midday
2-3-0-4, Fireball: 3
Pick Four-Evening
7-2-6-8, Fireball: 2
Lucky Day Lotto
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With presidency in reach, Dems grapple with disappointment

By BILL BARROW and STEVE PEOPLES
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New York Senator Chuck Schumer speaks at a news conference outside an early voting site in New York on Tuesday.

J. Scott Applewhite / AP

Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., talks to reporters about Election Day results in races for the House of Representatives, at Democratic National Committee headquarters in Washington, on Tuesday.

WASHINGTON — Democrats went into Election Day hoping to reclaim the White House and majorities in both chambers of Congress in a victory that would demonstrate an unmistakable repudiation of President Donald Trump and a Republican Party remade in his image.

It didn't work out that way.

More than 12 hours after polls closed, Biden held a narrow lead in some key states with hundreds of thousands of votes yet to be counted, and he has a comfortable advantage in the national popular vote. But as of midday Wednesday, there was no clear Democratic wave.

Republicans held key Senate seats that Democrats hoped to flip, and the GOP may ultimately shrink the Democrats' House majority. And even if Trump were to ultimately lose, the closeness of the presidential contest raised the prospect that a Biden presidency would have difficulty enacting progressive priorities or quickly move past the cultural and partisan fissures of the Trump era.

"The Trump coalition is more stubborn and resilient and capable than maybe we anticipated," said Rep. Gerald Connolly, a six-term Democratic lawmaker from Virginia. "The country is even more polarized and divided."

While Trump's critics were deeply disappointed that the hoped-for blue wave never materialized, Biden's allies encouraged the political world to step back and see the big picture. Dan Pfeiffer, a former aide to President Barack Obama, posted a message to Democrats on Medium entitled, "Biden is winning, act like it."

"The Republicans are already trying to neuter his ability to govern by casting aspersions about how he won," Pfeiffer wrote. "We cannot let them do that. The stakes are too damn high."

Indeed, should Trump lose, no matter the margin, he would be the first incumbent president to fail to win reelection since 1992. Biden has already flipped two states Trump carried four years ago, Arizona and Wisconsin, and held a modest lead in at least one other, Michigan, as he moved toward rebuilding the Democrats' so-called "Blue Wall."

"Today, the vice president will garner more votes than any presidential candidates in history," Biden campaign manager Jen O'Malley Dillon told reporters Wednesday. She added: "I feel like we had been abundantly clear that we thought this could be a close race."

Still, polls heading into Election Day suggested a much better election for Democrats up and down the ballot but clearly missed a surge of support for Trump and Republicans with turnout high across the political spectrum.

Several once-promising Democratic Senate challengers far fell short, despite a deluge of national fundraising support for headliners like Jaime Harrison in South Carolina, Amy McGrath in Kentucky and MJ Hegar in Texas.

Some House freshmen who helped give Democrats a majority in 2018 also lost, victims of stronger-than-expected performances for many Republican challengers. Democrats' gains in metro and suburban areas were matched or offset in many battleground states by a Republican deluge in small towns and rural areas.

And in a warning sign for Democrats, Trump demonstrated an uptick of support in some Black and Latino communities.

"You certainly had a lot of Latinos voting for him in south Texas and following him down the ballot," said Texas Democratic Chairman Gilberto Hinojosa, who started Election Day with hopes of flipping several congressional districts and gaining control of the Texas state House. Neither happened.

"It's very difficult to understand how there was such a big difference between what the polling was showing and what ultimately came out," he said. "To say it was a surprise is an understatement."

The evolving landscape represents a conundrum for a party that has a clearer claim to national majority support than the GOP. If trends hold, Democrats will have won the popular vote in seven out of the last eight presidential elections – with President George W. Bush in 2004 being the lone Republican popular vote winner since his father's landslide victory in 1988.

One of Biden's principal arguments in a crowded Democratic presidential primary campaign was that he could expand Democrats' coalition to include more older voters, independents, and even moderate Republicans. He appeared to underperform among other key demographics, however, or at least not expand the alliance enough to quash Trump's base and remake Capitol Hill.

Trump's Election Day surge powered by small-town America

By NICHOLAS RICCARDI and ANGELIKI KASTANIS
Associated Press

President Donald Trump's reelection campaign long maintained there were thousands of new supporters tucked into rural, red pockets of the country who would come out and vote for the president when asked.

On Election Day, it put up some proof.

With the race unsettled in several key battlegrounds, Trump's strong Election Day surge may not be enough to overcome a Democratic operation that also turned out its vote. With votes still being counted, the total turnout has already surpassed 2016 levels.

But the tight presidential races and unexpected Democratic losses in congressional races demonstrated the resilient power of Trump's appeal with rural, white voters and a growing polarization that may outlast his leadership.

William Frey, a demographer with the Brookings Institution, said the Trump campaign strategy is tenuously built on increasing support in places that are losing population, while the Democrats' rely on groups with growing cities and suburbs.

"The clock is ticking," Frey said. "But in this election we found it's not ticking fast enough for the Democrats."

Even as the winner of the White House was unclear, Republicans had victories to celebrate Wednesday and white, rural voters to thank.

In Iowa, Democrats had hoped to pick up a Senate seat, but Trump won the state handily on the strength of his rural turnout and GOP Sen. Joni Ernst held her seat.

Democratic Rep. Abby Finkenauer lost her reelection bid in the eastern part of the state as Trump bolstered his margins in rural areas like Buchanan County just west of Dubuque. Trump won the rural county, which is 96 percent white, by 15 percentage points in 2016. That margin jumped to 21 percentage points this year.

In North Carolina, Trump picked up 2,400 votes over his 2016 total in tiny Columbus County, near the South Carolina border. He repeated that pattern across the state's vast rural areas, blunting the Democratic surge in its urban base.

Democrats had hoped to win the state outright for Biden and oust Republican Sen. Thom Tillis as part of their effort to win majority control of that chamber. Both races were too early to call Wednesday.

To be sure, Democrats also mobilized their voters to drive what may be historic turnout levels. Those Democratic voters were more likely to vote early and by mail – meaning their votes were slower to be counted. As the vote counts increased, several key battlegrounds – including Wisconsin and Michigan – became Biden victories and Trump's leads were was narrowing in Pennsylvania and Georgia.

But an Associated Press analysis of results found the strong turnout – so far – was tilted in Trump's favor. In counties where vote totals were higher than the last presidential election, Trump increased his margins more than his Democratic opponent did, when compared to 2016 nominee Hillary Clinton's vote. While the differences were small – an average of 0.2 percentage points – it's enough to tally up tens of thousands of additional voters.

There were many of these high-turnout areas – the country tallied at least 140 million votes, surpassing the 2016 total. The number is expected to keep growing, especially as California slowly counts millions of additional ballots, a process that can take weeks. Determining the national turnout rate will take as long or longer.

Experts believe this election could feature the highest turnout rate – the percentage of the eligible population that votes – since before all women were granted the right to vote in the 20th century.

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ELECTION 2020

St. Joseph Twp. voters approve new road millage

By JULIE SWIDWA
HP Staff Writer

ST. JOSEPH — Voters in St. Joseph Township on Tuesday approved a first-time request for a millage to help fund improvements to roads in the township.

The millage proposal got 3,669 yes votes and 2,421 voters were opposed.

The township will levy 0.75 mills for 10 years, from 2020 through 2029.

Township Manager Denise Cook said the millage will amount to 75 cents per every $1,000 of taxable value of a property. So a person with a taxable property value (roughly half of overall property value) of $100,000 will pay $75 per year, and someone whose taxable property value is $200,000 will pay $150 per year.

Cook said the millage will raise an estimated $338,327 in the first year toward maintenance and/or improvement of roads.

Before deciding earlier this year to put the issue to voters, township officials noted that funding from the Berrien County Road Department is not adequate to maintain the existing road system within St. Joseph Township, and that a good road system is vital to the economic well-being of the township and the safety of people who use the roads.

The decision was based on recommendations from Wightman consulting firm and Baker Tilly Municipal Advisors LLC.

According to Wightman, the results of a 2020 rating showed that just 12 percent of the township's local roads are in good condition, 28 percent are in fair condition and 60 percent are in poor condition.

Tom Traciak, a municipal financial advisor from Baker Tilly, told the board that the township needs to raise at least $300,000 to $400,000 per year to spend on its roads over the next 10 years, and suggested a dedicated millage would be the way to go to raise the money.

The immediate goal is to bring 50 percent of the roads into good or fair condition, and that would not be possible without a road millage, Phil Doorlag of Wightman told the board.

Township officials noted that neighboring Lincoln Township and Royalton Township already levy road millages.

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NOVEMBER BIKE RIDE

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The sun sets as a cyclist stops along the South Pier in St. Joseph on Tuesday night.

ELECTION BRIEFS

Newcomer Tonya Jahnke wins seat on Lakeshore school board

STEVENSVILLE — Newcomer Tonya Jahnke was the top vote-getter and unseated trustee Jay Meeth in Tuesday's election for a seat on the Lakeshore school board.

Four candidates competed for three open seats on the board. Incumbents board Vice President Kevin Bushu and Trustee Griffin Ott held onto their seats. The terms are for six years.

Trustee Scott Allan ran uncontested for a partial term, which will end in 2022.

Trustee Mark Whitwam did not seek re-election.

Jahnke, of Stevensville, got the most votes, 5,152. Ott, 41, of Stevensville, came in second with 4,978, and Bushu, 49, of St. Joseph, came in third with 4,650. Meeth, 44, of Stevensville, got 3,009 votes, losing his seat to Jahnke.

Jahnke is a former business/marketing teacher at Lakeshore High School, the parent of a child at Lakeshore Middle School and a Lakeshore alumni, class of 1987.

Incumbents hold onto trustee seats on St. Joseph Twp.

ST. JOSEPH — Four incumbent trustees held onto their seats on the St. Joseph Township Board in Tuesday's election.

Ian Haight, a Democrat, lost his bid to unseat one of the Republican incumbents, and Republican incumbents Ronald Griffin, Melissa Hahn, Edward Meny and Thomas Milnikel held onto their seats.

The top vote-getter was Hahn with 3,847 votes, in unofficial results. The other winners were Milnikel with 3,568 votes, and Meny with 3,504 votes. Haight got 3,008 votes.

Griffin, 82, is a retired information technologist. He has served on the St. Joseph Township Board for 40 years, and was supervisor for four of those years.

Milnikel, 70, also retired, was appointed to the St. Joseph Township Board in December 2016 to fill the remainder of a four-year trustee term, and won election to the seat in November 2018.

Meny, 73, is a retired insurance agency owner and has served four years on the township board.

Hahn, 60, is a registered nurse and is director of business development, employer services, executive health and occupational health for Spectrum Health, Lakeland.

She has served 13 years as a St. Joseph Township trustee.

Tyler easily wins 3rd term as Berrien County clerk

Berrien County Clerk Sharon Tyler was re-elected to a third term Tuesday, according to unofficial results from Electionreporting.com.

"I'm very thankful that the voters of Berrien County trust in me," she said when contacted by phone Wednesday morning. "I'll continue to work hard for the citizens of Berrien County."

Tyler, a Republican, handily defeated Democrat Gwen Swanigan 45,890-30,747, with 97.58 percent of the precincts reporting. It is a four-year term.

Tyler said three precincts in Benton Township are still counting their absentee ballots.

The clerk's office manages county elections and maintains the county's vital records pertaining to births, deaths and marriages. In addition, the clerk's office processes and maintains Circuit Court files and the clerk works closely with several boards and commissions, including the county board of commissioners, election canvassers, election commission, jury board and plat board.

Shoreham taps Mais as new council president

SHOREHAM — Shoreham elected a new president Tuesday.

Reneta Mais, currently president pro tem, beat President Bruno Trapikas 268-174, according to unofficial results from Electionreporting.com.

"I feel very positive about the future of our village government," Mais said when contacted by phone Wednesday. "I think that we have an excellent core group of people who are dedicated. We also have other residents who would be excellent contributors."

She said she is looking forward to setting up a clear and transparent way for the village finances to be handled.

Village trustees hired a forensic auditor in September to look into alleged mismanagement of village finances. Mais said she expects the report to be done in the next few weeks.

Mais said she will also work to fill the vacant treasurer and trustee seats. Only two people ran for three trustee seats.

Re-elected in uncontested races were Clerk Debra Trapikas and Trustees Stephanie Clarke and John Michael Schnable.

Unique Watervliet school board race to shake out later

WATERVLIET — Watervliet Public Schools district voters will have to see some results of the school board race be decided later.

Four people were running for three six-year seats, though one of the candidates, incumbent Matt Clay, resigned from the board two weeks ago.

Incumbent Bill Spaulding was the highest vote-getter with 1,538 votes. Coming in second was Kimberly Adams with 1,454. Clay garnered the third highest number of votes, at 1,105.

Brian Gruszczyk received the fourth highest number of votes, 783. He will be invited to apply for the seat left open by Clay, who will not serve.

There were 47 write-ins.

For a partial term to the board, Wendy Hart gathered about 249 votes. That figure may change as results become official, but she had officially filed as a write-in candidate for the seat in which no one filed to run for.

Incumbent Hagar Twp. treasurer holds seat

RIVERSIDE — Susan Herrmann retained her title as Hagar Township treasure during Tuesday's election.

She garnered 599 votes, while opponent Kimberly Schmuhl got 501 votes, according to unofficial results.

Hermann was appointed treasurer last year by the township board to complete the four-year term of the former treasurer, who resigned.

BENTON HARBOR SCHOOLS

BHAS lands large grant to assist with teacher vacancies

Federal grant to be administered through WMU

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

BENTON HARBOR — An almost $5 million federal grant will help Benton Harbor Area Schools and Kalamazoo Public Schools fill the need for quality teachers, according to an online story posted Monday by Western Michigan University's news agency.

WMU will administer the grant.

"We're very excited that they're supporting us," Benton Harbor Area Schools Superintendent Andrae Townsel said when he found out about the grant Tuesday. "Whatever we can do to make this partnership come to fruition, we'll look into that."

The $4.9 million U.S. Department of Education grant will be used to spearhead the Urban Teacher Residency Program, Dr. Regena Fails Nelson said in the WMU News story. She is the chairwoman of the university's Department of Teaching, Learning and Educational Studies.

Townsel said his staff will work closely with WMU to identify the needs in the district.

"I can't wait to see what the details are so we can support it," he said.

Benton Harbor school leaders have been battling a shortage of certified teachers, especially in math, for many years, forcing them to fill vacant positions with long-term substitute teachers.

The U.S. Department of Education reported in 2017 that nationwide shortages in schools that serve low-income students were worst in such areas as: bilingual education and English language acquisition, foreign language, math, reading specialist, science and special education.

Teacher shortages have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic due to a wave of teacher retirements.

Nelson said that the program will help people working in the districts, such as bus drivers and paraprofessionals, to earn teacher certifications while they work.

"Our undergraduate model is a typical four-year degree and you're getting your certification," Nelson told WMU News. "For traditional students who are coming out of high school, it's a great model. But we recognize that with a teacher shortage, that pipeline will not fill all the openings that we're going to have for teachers in the next five to 10 years. So, we need to think creatively about people who want to come back to this who are in schools already in some capacity. How can we fast-track them to getting certification?"

The program is expected to begin in June 2021. It has a goal of producing at least 90 certified teachers within three years, with at least 20 percent of the new teachers coming from racially diverse backgrounds.

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ELECTION 2020

Coloma Township supervisor wins re-election

Incumbents and newcomers elected to board

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

COLOMA — Long-time Coloma Township Supervisor Ken Parrigin soared to re-election Tuesday.

PARRIGIN

Parrigin, a Republican, received 1,816 votes, while Democrat opponent Jeffrey Webber received 722 votes, according to unofficial results. There were nine write-in votes.

Parrigin has been supervisor for 17 years, and has owned and operated Quality Paving Co. in Coloma for over 50 years.

He said infrastructure will be at the forefront of his goals for this next four-year term.

Township board

Two incumbents and two new faces won election to the Coloma Township Board on Tuesday.

Five candidates were vying for the four, four-year terms.

Incumbent Bryan Duffield received the most votes, 1,848. Coming in second, was his daughter, Kendyl Adams, with 1,774 votes.

Former township treasurer Lance Becht received 1,766 votes, and incumbent Jerry Willmeng got 1,677 votes.

All four winners are Republicans.

Newcomer Adams is a funeral director at Duffield & Pastrick Funeral Home. Becht served as township treasurer for 18 years, not running for reelection in 2016. He is currently treasurer of the township's wastewater treatment plant board.

This is Willmeng's second term on the board. He is retired. Duffield has been on the board for 24 years and co-owns Duffield & Pastrick Funeral Home.

The least voter-getter was Nathalie Johnson, who had no party affiliation, with 488 votes.

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ELECTION RESULTS

The following is a summary of results from Tuesday's general election. All vote totals are unofficial.

U.S.

U.S. House 6th District, 2-year term
D-Jon Hoadley, 133,489
R-Fred Upton, 205,684

MICHIGAN

State House, 2-year term
78th District
D-Dan VandenHeede, 13,328
R-Brad Paquette, 21,542
79th District
D-Chokwe Pitchford, 19,658
R-Pauline Wendzel, 25,656
66th District
D-Abigail Wheeler, 19,400
R-Beth Griffin, 28,270

BERRIEN COUNTY

Prosecuting attorney, 4-year term
R-Steven Pierangeli, 54,127
Sheriff, 4-year term
R-L. Paul Bailey, 55,563
Write-ins, 2,544
County clerk, 4-year term
D-Gwen Swanigan, 31,658
R-Sharon J. Tyler, 46,399
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Shelly Weich, 54,196
Register of deeds, 4-year term
R-Lora Gnodtke Freehling, 54,230
Drain commissioner, 4-year term
R-Christopher J. Quattrin, 53,373
Surveyor, 4-year term
R-John G. Kamer, 53,620
Berrien County Board, 2-year terms
District 1
D-Kevin Holmes, 1,887
R-Dave Vollrath, 4,505
District 2
R-Jon Hinkelman, 4,886
District 3
D-Don Meeks, 3,326
District 4
D-Mamie L. Yarbrough, 3,773
District 5
D-Rayonte Bell, 3,934
R-Bruce Gorenflo, 3,934
District 6
R-Julie Wuerfel, 6,223
District 7
R-Robert P. Harrison, 5,811
District 8
R-Teri Sue Freehling, 4,934
District 9
D-Rich Eichholz, 3,334
R-Ezra Scott, 4,299
District 10
R-Richard McKinley Elliott, 4,944
District 11
R-Jim Curran, 4,809
District 12
D-Michael Poorman, 2,495
R-Michael J. Majerek, 2,912

JUDICIAL

2nd Circuit, Partial term ending 1/1/2023, 1 seat
NP-Donna Bacolor Howard, 47,227
Probate court
6-year term, 1 seat
NP-Mabel Johnson Mayfield, 49,105
5th District Court, 6-year terms, 2 seats
NP-Arthur J. Cotter, 41,285
NP-Gordon Gary Hosbein, 41,141

CITIES

Bridgman

Council member, 4-year term, 3 seats
NP-John Bonkoske, 628
NP-Georgia Gipson, 707
NP-Vince Rose, 715

Buchanan

City commissioner, 4-year terms, 2 seats
NP-Monroe S Lemay, 418
NP-Larry C. Money, 883
NP-Patrick Swem, 969
NP-Daniel R Vigansky, 453
NP-Jeccika Yoder, 268

Coloma

Mayor, 4-year term
NP-Marsha Hammond, 410
NP-Jason Hicks Sr., 260
City clerk, 2-year term
NP Martha L. Darling, 540
City treasurer, 2-year term
NP-Roseann Clements, 569
City commissioner, 4-year terms, 3 seats
NP-Jamie Balkin, 284
NP-Harold E. Bragg, 130
NP-Kent L Churchill, 335
NP-Jeffrey L. Krolzick, 171
NP-Taylor Prestidge, 272
NP-Julie Smith, 328

New Buffalo

	Yes	No
.25-mill road tax	610	396
	Yes	**No**
.4599-mill park improvement renewal	603	399
City council, 4-year terms, 3 seats		
NP-Karen Billingslea, 369		
NP-Brian Flanagan, 425		
NP-John Humphrey, 452		
NP-Mark Kroll, 337		
NP-Roger Lijewski, 639		
NP-Robert Spirito, 277		

Niles

Mayor, 4-year term
NP-Nick Shelton, 3,368
City council, 4-year terms, 1st ward
NP-Georgia Boggs, 418
NP-Justin Flagel, 303
2nd ward
Write-in candidates
3rd ward
NP-Charlie McAfee, 611
4th ward
NP-John C. DiCostanzo, 863

Watervliet

	Yes	No
Library millage	454	220

Mayor, 4-year term
NP-David Brinker, 212
NP-Deah Muth, 427
City commissioner, three 4-year term
NP-Duane Cobb, 384
NP-William Whitney Jr., 357

TOWNSHIPS

Bainbridge

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Rodney Winkel, 1305
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Patty Hiler-Molter, 1317
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Nancy Weber, 1303
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Donald Baiers, 1244
R-John Yetzke, 1238

Baroda

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Dennis M. Krotzer, 1261
Clerk, 4-year term
D-Stacey Stubblefield, 327
R-Christina Price, 1058
NP-Kathryn Redding, 199
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-James Zobl, 930
NP-Brenda Troxell, 480
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Larry G. Klug, 1248
R-David P. Wolf, 1134

Benton

Supervisor, 4-year term
D-Cathy Yates, 4,623
Clerk, 4-year term
D-Carolyn Phillips, 4,616
Treasurer, 4-year term
D-Debra Boothby, 4,676
Trustee, four 4-year terms
D-Janice Avery, 4,314
D-Lemont Betts, 4,195
D-Rosie Hudson, 4,214
D-Linda Scarbrough, 4,275

Berrien

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Bryan Paul Bixby, 2052
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Mary Jane Dean, 2050
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Paul Sprung, 2008
Trustee, four 4-year terms
R-Harold Bishop, 1830
R-Julie Burke, 1869
R-Kevin D. Klug, 1823
R-Cynthia L. Layman, 1827

Bertrand

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Steve Hicks, 1231
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Don Vite, 1287
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-David W. Kuhn, 1258
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Gordon L. Payton, 1142
R-David G. Zelmer, 1210

Buchanan

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Malinda A. ColeCrocker,
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Sheila Reitz
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Rachel Plank
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Lynn Ferris
R-Brad Huebner

Chikaming

Supervisor, 4-year term
NP-David A. Bunte, 1,114
Clerk, 4-year term
R–Paula Dudiak, 1,398
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Liz Rettig, 1,313
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-William A. Marske, 1,135
R-Rich Sullivan, 1,088
NP-Jill Underhill, 655

Coloma

	Yes	No
.50-mill road tax	1,351	1,000
	Yes	**No**
4.75-mill public safety renewal	1,466	856

Supervisor, 4-year term
D-Jeffrey Weber, 722
R-Kenneth Parrigin, 1,816
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Sheila Hickmott, 1,988
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-James G. Fulton, 1,983
Trustee, four 4-year terms
R-Kendyl Ann Adams, 1,774
R-Lance Becht, 1,766
R-Bryan Keith Duffield, 1,848
R-Jerry Willmeng, 1,677
NP-Nathalie Johnson, 488

Galien

Supervisor, 4-year term
D-Bruce D. Williams, 429
Clerk, 4-year term
D-Jennifer Richter, 509
Treasurer, 4-year term
D-Kendra Truhn, 480
Trustee, two 4-year terms
D-Durie Bennett, 227
D-Gerald O. Mast, 325
R-Matthew Kinne, 552

Hagar

	Yes	No
.3655-mill operating renew and increase	1,000	713

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Izzy DiMaggio, 1,424
Clerk, 4-year term
D-Sarah Rodriguez, 923
Treasurer, 4-year term
NP-Susan Broderick Herrmann, 599
NP-Kimberly Schmuhl, 501
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Peter S. Colovos, 1,254
R-Andrew Ulleg, 1,365

Lake

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-John W. Gast, 1,621
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Gloria A. Payne, 1,632
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Robert Clark, 1,620
Trustee, four 4-year terms
R-Zach Carson, 1,455
R-Mike Essig, 1,486
R-Nancy Mensinger, 1,517
R-John S. Wilk, 1,434

Lincoln

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Richard C. Stauffer, 6,663
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Stacy Loar-Porter, 6,691
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Terrie L. Smith, 6,729
Trustee, four 4-year terms
R-Marc D. Florian, 6,131
R-Kevin M. Gillette, 5,978
R-Deborah K. Peterson, 6,130
R-Rick Stone, 5,922

New Buffalo

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Michelle Heit, 970
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Judith Handley Zabicki, 996
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Jack R. Rogers, 966
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Patty Iazzetto, 940
R-Peter G. Rahm, 873

Niles

	Yes	No
1.0-mill police protect. renew	4,518	1,608
	Yes	**No**
Fire protection, operation tax	4,158	1,964

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-James W. Stover, 4,896
Clerk, 4-year term
R- Terry Eull, 4,963
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-James H. Ringler, 4,894
Trustee, four 4-year terms
R-Richard L. Cooper, 4,357
R-Herschel L. Hoese, 4,342
R-Daniel C. Pulaski Jr., 4,241
R-Christine Vella, 4,400

Oronoko

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Mike Hildebrand, 2,583
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Suzanne G. Renton, 2,587
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Lawrence E. Schalk, 2,560
Trustee, four 4-year terms
R-Richard Albers, 2,318
R-Don Damron, 2,327
R-Marc M. Kerlikowske, 2,291
R-Robert A. Palmer, 2,239

Pipestone

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Doug Davis, 966
Clerk, 4-year term
Karen K. Basham, 972
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Shawn Wolske, 972
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Robert Bishop, 948
R-Floyd Sommer, 913

Royalton

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Robert L. Basselman, 2,346
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Karen K. Basham, 2,338
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Michael Eisenhart, 2,358
Trustee, two 4-year terms
D-Becky Foster, 1,099
R-Jason K. Ackerman, 1,996
R-Julie Marsh, 2,018

St. Joseph

	Yes	No
.75-mill road tax	3,669	2,421

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Roger Seely, 4,317
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Patrice Rose, 4,255
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-David H. Vonk, 4,273
Trustee, four 4-year terms
D-Ian Haight, 3,008
R-Ronald A. Griffin, 3,541
R-Melissa Hahn, 3,847
R-Edward E. Meny, 3,504
R-Thomas Milnikel, 3,568

Sodus Township

	Yes	No
1.0-mill fire protection renew.	801	228

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-David I. Chandler, 850
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Cheryl Andres, 856
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Terry Gilson-McCain, 846
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Loyall Bennett, 793
R-Ken Peters, 785

Three Oaks

	Yes	No
1.0-mill ambulance serv.	894	334
	Yes	**No**
1.5-mill fire protection	874	354
	Yes	**No**
1.75-mill police protection	309	247
	Yes	**No**
Marijuana prop.	315	253

Supervisor, 4-year term
NP-George A. Mangold, 814
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Elizabeth Zabel, 858
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Kathleen Osburn, 956
Trustee, two 4-year terms
D-Rexalee Gordon, 677
D-Christian P. Mitchell, 644
NP-John Swanstrom, 390

Watervliet

	Yes	No
Library millage	921	414

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Dan Hutchins (deceased), 881
Write-ins, 331
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Patricia Bambrick, 1,185
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Tom Scheid, 1,193
Trustee, four 4-year terms
R-Karl B. Bayer, 1,118
R-Glen Giannetti, 1,071
R-Joe Stepich, 1,051
R-Bob Wallace, 1,082

Weesaw

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Gary Sommers, 792
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Wanda Green, 811
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Michelle Tackitt, 572
NP-Shawna Krieger, 345
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Arthur R. King, 769
R-Robert W. Warmbein, 737

SCHOOL BOARDS

Benton Harbor

Trustee, four 4-year terms
NP-Trenton M. Bowens, 4,409
NP-Angel Clark Crayton, 4,776
NP-Marvin Haywood, 2,687
NP-Stephanie Rockette Martin, 4,099
NP-Reinaldo Tripplett, 6,674
NP-Darwin Watson, 2,997
NP-Apollonia Williams, 3,984
Partial term ending 12/31/2022, 1 seat
NP-Dashuna M. Robinson, 7,377

Berrien Springs

Trustee, three 6-year terms
NP-Lee Davidson, 2,937
NP-Pat DeLong, 2,984
NP-Paul Toliver, 2,995
Partial term ending 12/31/2022, 1 seat
NP-Kim Keigley, 3,565

Brandywine

Three 4-year terms
NP-Brian Burge, 1,059
NP-Jessica Crouch, 1,569
NP-Janis L. Exner, 1,036
NP-Holly Pomranka, 1,328

Bridgman

Trustee, three 6-year terms
NP-Wayne D. Hall, 1,520
NP-Nancy Hawley, 1,663
NP-Brad Reitz, 1,644
Partial term ending 12/31/2022, 1 seat
NP-Lisa Kiewel, 1,967

Buchanan

Trustee, three 6-year terms
NP-Katie Berry, 2,285
NP-Scott B. Carlin, 2,291
NP-Chris Carlson, 1,804
NP-Jim DeVlaminck, 1,074
NP-Britney Martin, 1,775
NP-Anne Tews, 871
NP-Dennis A. Wentworth, 923

Coloma

Trustee, four 4-year terms
NP-Robert Hirsch, 2,484
NP-Doug Kraemer, 2,541
NP-William Stowers, 2,566
NP-Apryl Watson, 2,538
Partial term ending 12/31/2022, 1 seat
NP-Steve Groendyk, 3,024

Eau Claire

Trustee, three 4-year terms
NP-Kelly A. Blankenship, 919
NP-Don Geisler, 582
NP-John Glassman, 864
NP-Hazen Harner, 658
NP-David Krugh, 696

Hagar Township, District No. 6

Trustee, one 2-year term
NP-Brandy Lewis, 180

Lakeshore

Trustee, three 6-year terms
NP-Kevin Bushu, 4,650
NP-Tonya Jahnke, 5,152
NP Jay D. Meeth, 3,009
NP Griffin Ott, 4,978
Partial term ending 12/31/2022, 1 seat
NP-Scott Allan, 6,286

New Buffalo

Trustee, partial term ending 12/31/2024, 1 seat
NP-John M Haskins, 1,674

Niles

Trustee, three 6-year terms
NP-Joshua Asmus, 4,524
NP-Kathy M Moore, 4,521
NP-Brent T. Wright, 3,291
NP-Kyle I. Zelmer, 4,251

River Valley

Trustee, three 6-year terms
NP-Phil Bender, 2,471
NP-Gail Freehling, 2,738
NP Vickie Wagner, 2,464
Partial term ending 12/31/2022, 1 seat
NP-John M. Pawlik, 970
NP-Nikki Springer, 2,478

Sodus Township, District No. 5

	Yes	No
Oper. mill restor.	74	15

Trustee, one 4-year term
NP-Andrew Cleminshaw, 56

St. Joseph

Trustee, two 6-year terms,
NP-Chris Cook, 6,973
NP-Amy Marohn, 7,383

Watervliet

Trustee, three 6-year terms
NP-Kimberly Adams, 1,486
NP-Matthew Clay, 1,138
NP-Brian Gruszczyk, 804
NP-Bill Spaulding, 1,576
Partial term ending 12/31/2022, 1 seat
Write-in candidates

VILLAGES

Baroda

President, 2-year term
NP-Robert Getz, 304
Trustee, three 4-year terms
NP-Toni Lou Gaul, 176
NP-Jodi Mattner, 168
NP-Edwin Rath, 128
NP-Kathryn Strefling, 188
NP-Don Turney, 152

Berrien Springs

President, 2-year term
NP Jesse C. Hibler, 531
Trustee, three 4-year terms
NP-Jack Davis, 427
NP-Barry Gravitt, 370
NP-Kristine von Maur, 433
Trustee, partial term
NP-Milton Richter, 488

Eau Claire

President, 2-year term
NP-John Glassman, 173
Trustee, two 4-year terms
NP-Thomas L. Baker, 136
NP-Virginia Jo Gonzalez, 138

Galien

President, 2-year term
NP-Kenneth Chappell, 103
NP-Paul Palmer, 105
Trustee, three 4-year terms
NP-Christine Palmer. 130
NP-Steven P. Schmitz, 115
NP-Sharee Swank, 121
Partial term ending 11/20/2022
Write-in votes

Grand Beach

Trustee, 4-year terms
James P. Bracewell, 197
Blake H. O'Halloran, 149
Harry Walder, 105

Michiana

Trustee, 4-year terms
Joann G. Fisher, 90
Michael R. Mintz, 89
Kathleen Hogan Morrison, 90

Shoreham

Council president, 2-year term
NP-Reneta Mais, 268
NP-Bruno Trapikas, 174
Clerk, 2-year term
NP-Debra Trapikas, 302
Treasurer, 2-year term
Write-in votes
Trustees, 4-year term, 3 seats
NP-Stephanie Clarke, 337
NP-John Michael Schnable, 299

Stevensville

Council president, 2-year term
NP-David Wenger, 481
Trustees
4-year term, 3 seats
NP-Pat Arter, 419
NP-Chris Mason, 402
NP-Amanda Pohyba, 396

Three Oaks

	Yes	No
Marijuana prop.	436	251

Council president, 2-year term
NP-Tom Flint, 312
NP-Richard J. Smith, 367
Council, 4-year term, 3 seats
NP-Joe Hinman, 366
NP-John C. Kramer, 334
NP-John R Pappa, 311
NP-Tyler Ream, 318
NP-Troy Zebell, 303

VAN BUREN COUNTY

Prosecuting Attorney, 4-year term
R-Susan Zuiderveen, 26,360
Sheriff, 4-year term
R-Daniel E. Abbott, 26,743
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Suzie Roehm, 26,331
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Trisha Nesbitt, 26,345
Register of Deeds, 4-year term
R-Paul W. DeYoung, 26,427
Drain Commissioner, 4-year term
R-Joe Parman, 26,073
Surveyor, 4-year term
R-Charles Lossie, 25,924
County Board, 2-year terms
District 1
D-Gail Patterson-Gladney, 3,627
District 2
R-Kurt Doroh, 3,178
District 4
R-Mike Chappell, 3,002
District 6
R-Donald A. Hanson, 3,771

JUDICIAL

36th Circuit Court Judge, one 6-year term
Jeffrey J. Dufon, 22,196
7th District Court Judge, one 6-year term
Arthur H. Clarke III, 22,635

Cities

Hartford

City commissioner at large, three terms
NP-Ronnie F. Burleson, 392
NP-Frank A. Dockter, 394
NP-John A. Miller, 547

Townships

Arlington

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Mike Koshar, 680
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Douglas DeLeo, 688
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Phillip Pitts, 694
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Georgette Peterson, 654
R-Ted Swansons, 612

Bangor

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Mike Sullins, 644
Clerk, 4-year term
Amanda Karr, 655
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Sandra Karr, 653
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Brenda K. Casperson, 614
R-David E. Houdek, 612

Covert

Supervisor, 4-year term
D-Dennis C. Palgen Sr., 648
R-Tom DeRosa, 378
Clerk, 4-year term
D-Naomi Barnes, 747
Treasurer, 4-year term
D-Barbara J. Rose, 669
Trustee, two 4-year terms
D-Kenneth L. Harrington Sr., 708
D-Lonzey Taylor, 700

Geneva

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Nancy Whaley, 1,212
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Bridgette Gumpert, 1,216
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Deborah Diekema, 1,191
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Clare Olney, 1,146
R-Martin M. Pfaff, 1,021

Hartford

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Ron Sefcik, 913
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Julie Sweet, 933
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Steve Starner, 909
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-John F. McLellan, 849
R-Mike Phillips, 865

Keeler

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Don Gregory Blackmond, 822
Clerk, 4-year term
Carl F. Davis, 844
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Sharon K. Clupper, 828
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Jerry Morin, 800
R-Kennth C. Rahn, 747

Lawrence

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-Donna Spencer, 1,122
Clerk, 4-year term
R-Judy Janssen, 1,103
Treasurer, 4-year term
Jenny Phillips, 614
R-Theresa Stroud, 831
Trustee, two 4-year terms
R-Michael Carpp, 1,023
R-Thomas Reynolds, 1,025

South Haven

Supervisor, 4-year term
R-C Ross Stein, 1,441
Clerk, 4-year term
D-Brenda Bertorelli, 1,297
Treasurer, 4-year term
R-Hillary Fisher, 1,427
Trustee, four 4-year terms
R-Michael V. DeGrandchamp, 1,407
R-Paul D. Kiry, 1,294
R-Maureen Lewandowski, 1,269
R-David Wiatrowski, 1,250

VILLAGES

Lawrence

President, one term
NP-David B. Quick, 282
Trustee, three terms
NP-David W. DeLoach, 256
NP-Phil Glennie, 213
NP-John Gritter, 169

SCHOOL BOARDS

Bangor

Trustee, four year terms
Joyce Adams, 1,557
Kelly Hein, 1,270
Jennifer Zordan, 1,502

Bangor Township K8

Trustee, one term
Dennis Sorenson, 29

Covert

Trustee, four 4-year terms
NP-Ella Rae Harrington, 565
NP-Cheryl McCray, 476
NP-Geoffrey Rose, 493
Partial term ending 12/31/2022, 1 seat
NP-Kayla Perry, 672

Hartford

Trustee, two 4-year terms
Robert Jones, 353
Kurt G. Kuehnle, 862
Fidel Mireles II, 955
Joseph L. Morsaw, 1,161

Lawrence

Trustee, four 4-year terms
Gary Brown, 940
Ruth Cowles, 1,003
Melanie Giddings, 946

South Haven

Trustee, three 4-year terms
S Grassflower, 2,566
Doug Ransom, 3,189

DISTRICT LIBRARY

Van Buren District Library board member, three terms
Jeremy Davison, 3,691
Julie Pioch, 3,733
Krystal Seibert, 3,390

COLLEGES

Lake Michigan College

Trustee, three 6-year terms
NP-Paul Bergan, 22,223
NP-Vicki Burghdoff, 24,214
NP-Debra Johnson, 29,504
NP-James McGee, 18,234
NP-Phil Oretsky, 11,377
NP-Mary Jo Tomasini, 32,224

Southwestern Michigan College

Trustee, three 6-year terms
NP-Tracy D. Hertsel, 12,672
NP-Michelle Bakerson, 7,981
NP-Tom Jerdon, 10,063
NP-Becky Moore, 12,040

U.S. sets record for coronavirus cases amid election battle over virus

By LINDSEY TANNER
Associated Press

The United States set another record for daily confirmed coronavirus cases as states around the country posted all-time highs, underscoring the vexing issue that confronts the winner of the presidential race.

The surging cases and hospitalizations reflect the challenge that either President Donald Trump or former Vice President Joe Biden will face in the coming months over the pandemic, with winter and the holidays approaching.

Public health experts fear potentially dire consequences, at least in the short term.

Trump's current term doesn't end until Jan. 20. In the 86 days until then, 100,000 more Americans will likely die from the virus if the nation doesn't shift course, said Dr. Robert Murphy, executive director of the Institute for Global Health at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine, echoing estimates from other public health experts.

Daily new confirmed coronavirus cases in the U.S. have surged 45 percent over the past two weeks, to a record 7-day average of 86,352, according to data compiled by Johns Hopkins University. Deaths are also on the rise, up 15 percent to an average of 846 deaths every day. The total U.S. death toll is already more than 232,000, and total confirmed U.S. cases have surpassed 9 million. Those are the highest totals in the world, and new infections are increasing in nearly every state.

PRIME TIME TV

THURSDAY EVENING NOV. 5

	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
ABC 7 13 41 57	Wheel of Fortune	The Bachelorette Clare makes a stunning revelation. (N) CC (DVS)				:01 Match Game ((F)) (N)	
CBS 2 3 22	Ent. Tonight	Young Sheldon	B Positive "Pilot"	:01 Mom CC	Young Sheldon	Star Trek: Discovery "Lethe" (N) CC	
NBC 5 8 16	Ac. Hollywood	Superstore (N)	CONNECT	Dateline NBC (N) CC			
FOX 17 222 28 32	NFL Pregame	NFL Football Green Bay Packers at San Francisco 49ers. (N) (L)					
PBS 34	Radar-Michigan	Frankie Drake Mysteries CC (DVS)		Father Brown Father Brown investigates.		Ernestine Raclin	Children's Crusade
CW 25	Big Bang Theory	Supernatural "Despair" (N) CC		The Outpost Tobin returns with an army.		News	Seinfeld CC
MNT 50	Family Feud	Dateline "She Didn't Come Home" (N)		Dateline A Florida woman goes missing.		Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Phantom"	
WCIU 26	Mike & Molly	Supernatural "Despair" (N) CC		The Outpost Tobin returns with an army.		King of Queens	King of Queens
WHME 46	:00 Heartland	Heartland "The Family Tree"		Highway to Heaven "We Have Forever"		Nightly News	
WGN 9	News	black-ish	black-ish	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	WGN News at Nine (N) (L) CC	
A&E	:00 The First 48	The First 48 CC		The First 48 "Cover Story" (N) CC		The First 48 Presents Critical	
AMC	:00 ★★★★ Goodfellas ('90) Robert De Niro. An Irish-Italian hood joins the 1950s New York Mafia. CC					O Brother, Where Art Thou?	
Animal	Catch	Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch	
BET	6:35 The Nutty Professor			★★★ The Help ('11) Viola Davis.			
Big Ten	:00 Women's College Soccer			Women's College Soccer CC			
Bravo	Southern Charm	Southern Charm (N) CC		Southern Charm (N) CC			Southern Charm
Cartoon	Teen	Gumball	Gumball	Burgers	Burgers	American	American
Cinemax	6:15 ★ CHIPS	★★★ Raising Arizona ('87) Nicolas Cage. CC			:35 ★★ Wanderlust ('12, Comedy) Paul Rudd. CC		
CMT	Last Man	★★ Look Who's Talking ('89) CC				To Be Announced	
CNBC	S. Smith	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank CC	
CNN	OutFront	Anderson Cooper		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight	
Comedy	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office	Office
Discovery	Homestead	Homestead Rescue: Surviving the Wild "Risky Rescue" (N) CC				Homestead Rescue: Surviving the Wild	
Disney	Raven	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd
DIY	Flea	Flea	Flea	Flea	Flea	Bargain	Bargain
E!	Kardas	The Kardashians		Bradshaw		Bradshaw	Bradshaw
ESPN	College Football SMU at Temple. (N) (L)						SportCtr
ESPN2	The Jump	Top Rank Boxing		Top Rank Boxing		Top Rank Boxing	
ESPNC	Football	College Football				College Football	
Food	Baking	Holiday Baking		Holiday Baking		Holiday Baking	
Fox News	The Story	Tucker Carlson		Hannity (N) CC		The Ingraham Angle	
Fox Sports	Roasting	Red Wings Classics Game 1 of the Stanley Cup Finals.					Review
Freefrm	:00 ★★★ Shrek ('01) Voices of Mike Myers. CC			★★★ Inside Out ('15, Children's) Voices of Amy Poehler, Phyllis Smith. CC			
FX	13 Hours: Sec	★★ Skyscraper ('18, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Neve Campbell, Chin Han. CC				★★ Skyscraper ('18) CC	
Golf	PGA Golf	PGA Tour Golf Houston Open, First Round. CC					
Hallmark	Christmas Next Door	One Royal Holiday ('20, Romance) Laura Osnes, Aaron Tveit. CC				Christmas Town ('19) CC	
HBO	Shop: Unintrp.	★★★ Just Mercy ('19, Drama) Michael B. Jordan, Jamie Foxx, Brie Larson. CC					:20 The Undoing
History	Pickers	American Pickers		:02 American Pickers		:05 American Pickers	
HGTV	Flip	Flip	Flip	Flip	Flip	Hunters	Hunt Intl
Learning	Dr. Pim	Dr. Pim	My Feet	Dr. Pimple Popper		Dr. Pim	My Feet
Lifetime	Christmas on Ice	Christmas Unleashed ('19, Romance) Vanessa Lachey, Christopher Russell. CC				:05 No Time Like Christmas ('19)	
MSNBC	ReidOut	All In With		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word	
MTV	Jersey	Jersey Shore		Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.	Ridic.
NBCSCH	Footvol	White Sox Rewind From Aug. 1, 2020. (N)					Lucas Oil
NFL	NFL Pregame		NFL Football: Packers at 49ers				
Nick	Loud	Movie CC				Friends	Friends
NGEO	Life Be	Life Below Zero		Ice Road Rescue		Ice Road Rescue (N)	
Oxygen	:00 Snapped	Buried in the Backyard (N) CC		Injustice With Nancy Grace (N)		Injustice With Nancy Grace CC	
Parmt	:00 ★ Grown Ups ('10, Comedy) CC				★ Grown Ups ('10) CC		
Showtime	Shameless	Shameless "A Long Way From Home"		Election		★★★ Apollo 13 ('95) Tom Hanks.	
Starz	Panic Room	Seduced: Inside the NXIVM Cult CC		:01 ★★ Men in Black 3 ('12, Action) Will Smith, Tommy Lee Jones. CC			
STZENC	:15 ★★ The Stepfather ('09) Dylan Walsh. CC			★ The Intruder ('19, Suspense) Michael Ealy, Meagan Good. CC			
SyFy	6:30 ★★ The Last Witch Hunter		★★★ The Fifth Element ('97) Bruce Willis. A New York cabby tries to save Earth in 2259. CC				
TBS	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory
TCM	6:15 The Pack	★★★ The Ghost and Mrs. Muir ('47, Fantasy) Gene Tierney, Rex Harrison. CC				★★★★ Vertigo ('58) CC	
TMC	Moonstruck	★★★ Man on the Moon ('99, Biography) Jim Carrey, J. Alan Thomas. CC				★★★ Marley ('12) Bob Marley.	
TNT	:00 Bones	★★ The Accountant ('16) Ben Affleck.					Eagle
Travel	Ghost	Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		The Holzer Files (N)	
TV Land	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
USA	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		:01 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	
VH1	Martin	★★★ Coming to America ('88) Eddie Murphy.					White M.
WGN-A	Last Man Standing	NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC		NewsNation (N) (L) CC	

Woman wonders why son didn't reveal partner's miscarriage

Jeanne Phillips
Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: I thought my son and I were close. Recently, I learned that his girlfriend had a miscarriage. I learned about it from an email his girlfriend sent me, and I have also learned he told another relative he's close to about the miscarriage. I called his girlfriend after receiving her email and expressed my sympathy, inquired about her health and told her that I would keep her and my son in my prayers.

My feelings are hurt because I didn't hear about the pregnancy/miscarriage from my son, and he disclosed it to another relative instead. I thought we could discuss anything – even though we disagree on some things. I want to ask why he didn't tell me and let him know my feelings are hurt because children are family treasures. Should I express how I feel and ask why he felt he couldn't share with me? – Overlooked In Florida

DEAR OVERLOOKED: Resist the urge to personalize this the way you have. If you are smart, you will think long and hard – a few months, perhaps – before asking your son that question because if there is a problem in your relationship, this will only make it worse. Take this opportunity to work on the things that aren't right in your relationship with your son. He may have had other things besides his mother on his mind when this happened, and may not have wanted or needed to be reminded that children are "family treasures."

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been together for almost 10 years. He's my dreamboat, everything I ever wanted in a man. Although he doesn't have a history of cheating, he is flirtatious.

My husband fixes computers. Last year, when my best friend's computer wouldn't turn on, he was happy to help. I just found a naked picture of her on his computer. When I confronted him, he confessed he stole it while he was fixing her computer. When I told my friend, she kind of blew it off. ("Men do stupid stuff ...") I don't know if I can trust him again and I feel beaten down. I have been hurt several times before in prior relationships. Abby, what do I do? – Shocked In New Jersey

DEAR SHOCKED: Your best friend's reaction was unusual. Most women would be mortified over this scenario. Your husband's behavior was shameful. He should delete the photo he stole and apologize to you and your friend for the "stupid stuff" he did. And, because this has damaged your ability to trust your husband, insist on some sessions with a marriage and family therapist to see if the damage to your relationship with him can be repaired.

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law has a disgusting habit: Whenever I'm starting to cook something with raw hamburger, she grabs a mouthful. I have tried explaining how dangerous it is, but she won't listen to reason. She says she's been doing it since she was a kid (she's 80 now). I've tried pointing out that the meat supply is not the same as it was then, but her response is "it hasn't hurt me yet!" Please advise. – Careful Cook In Carolina

DEAR COOK: I'll try. Go to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration website (fda.gov) and search on "eating raw ground beef." When you do, you will find printable information about the dangers of E. coli, which is most prevalent in raw hamburger and especially dangerous to young children and people over the age of 65. Then give the printout to your mother-in-law and pray she's capable of changing her ways.

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Is husband's bottling up grief over his best friend's death?

Carolyn Hax

DEAR CAROLYN: My husband's lifelong best friend died two weeks ago. My husband has been acting like everything is OK, and at the funeral he was the one comforting everyone else, but I could tell he was hurting and encouraged him to talk to me or look into grief counseling. He assured me he's fine.

Well, yesterday I came home and found him sobbing uncontrollably. I held him until he stopped crying, but as soon as he stopped, he again insisted he's OK and doesn't need to talk to anyone.

I know he was raised not to show emotions – I have actually heard my father-in-law say the words "Real men don't cry" – but I don't think it's healthy for him to just bottle things up.

What do you think I can do for my husband? – Hurting

DEAR HURTING: How terribly sad, I'm sorry.

Keep doing what you're doing: Be watchful, and hold him when he cries. His doing that obviously is the opposite of bottling things up. It's OK not to press the counseling issue.

Also, teaching kids to be ashamed of their feelings is hideous – real men don't teach boys that real men don't cry – but that doesn't automatically mean it's bad not to show emotion.

The ideal isn't for all of us to experience love and loss the same way – it's to be given room to experience them in our own ways. I imagine it helped him a lot to be the one consoling others.

So, again, keep a close eye for signs of danger or distress, but otherwise give him room to sort this out the way he feels is right.

Many thoughts on this from readers:

■ My husband actually thought I'd never cried when my father died. I just hadn't cried *in front of him.* I prefer to bawl my eyes out privately. This husband may be the same.

■ I am the one who comforts everyone else publicly and then mourns privately. It doesn't mean I don't deal with my own grief, I just prefer to control my emotions until I get to a place where I can actually grieve the way that I want. Literally the worst thing you could do is try to get me to grieve the way that you want.

■ Mourning can be a very long and nonlinear path. I'm in a grief support group, and the shortest gap between a loss and joining the group is six months. It may be months before your husband is receptive to any sort of therapy.

■ Growing up, my father and sister took joy in making me cry on command. That's how I learned to keep feelings inside. (I'm a woman.) My husband hates that I don't openly cry or show emotion or talk about my feelings. I deal with grief in my own way, and I hate being dictated to about how I "should" be acting. The irony in opposing "real men don't cry" is that not crying is never acceptable.

■ Like it or not, Hurting, you are "managing" him and inserting yourself into his grief, because *you* decided how he ought to be handling it. Leave him be.

Thanks, everybody.

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CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 Martial art
5 Off. employee
8 Short distance
12 Big-ticket —
13 Cry of disgust
14 Knoll
15 Glittery fabric
16 — you asleep?
17 Woody's son
18 Diet targets
20 Most capable
22 Zero in on
23 "The Bells" penner
24 Refrain from
27 Understands (2 wds.)
30 Perform
31 Sumptuous
32 Except
34 Buddy
35 Immense
36 Bill (abbr.)
37 Open
39 — nova
41 Feel under par
42 Dull routine
43 Cognac
46 In inventory (2 wds.)
50 Wars of the Roses house
51 Chitchat
53 Mideast title
54 Singer — Adams
55 Ring champ
56 Costa —
57 Char
58 Mil. rank
59 Look to be

DOWN
1 Dump a lover
2 Where Bryce Canyon is
3 Half, in combos
4 Bulova rivals
5 Involuntary jerk
6 Teacup handle
7 Least expensive
8 Sedimentary rocks
9 Wear down
10 Plumbing bends
11 Conspiracy
19 Get a move on
21 The pair
24 City conveyance
25 Neutral color
26 Egyptian god
27 Puff of wind
28 Sacred bird of the Nile
29 Large casks
31 Loaf (var.)
33 Water-power org.
35 No longer in force
38 Money manager
39 Roll
40 Different ones
42 Wacky Williams
43 Farewells
44 Caught the bus
45 Soprano's piece
47 Jacques' girl
48 Agreeable
49 Ounce fraction
52 Frothy brew

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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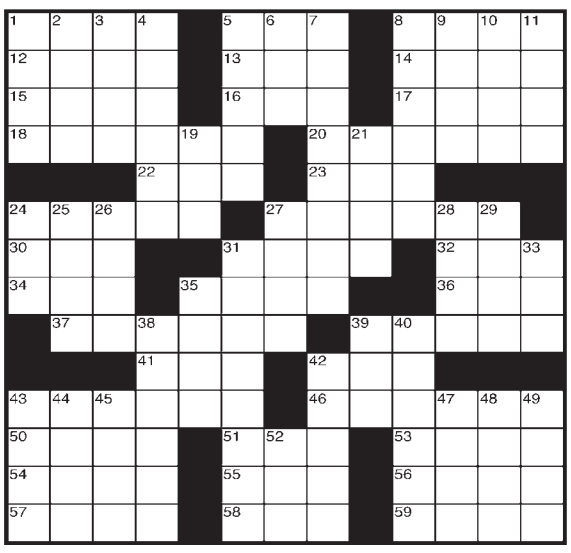

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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KKANC

NHRCCU

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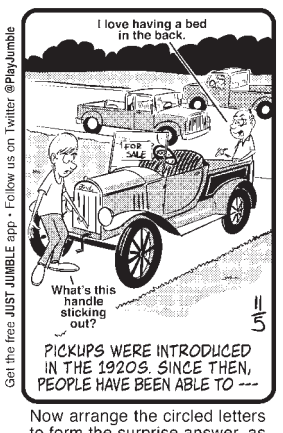
I love having a bed in the back.
What's this handle sticking out?
PICKUPS WERE INTRODUCED IN THE 1920S. SINCE THEN, PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ---

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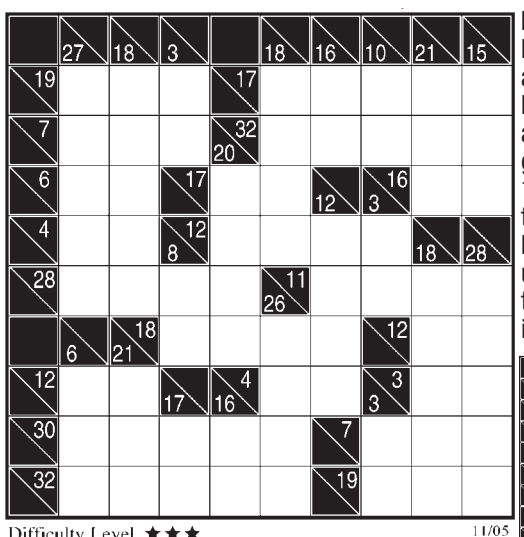
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

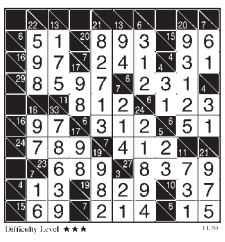
Yesterday's Jumbles: HONOR ETHIC GENTLE CALMLY
Answer: They discussed reticulated pythons and anacondas — AT LENGTH

KAKURO



How to play: Numbers above the slash are across clues; numbers below the slash are down clues. The goal is to enter digits 1-9 in the white cells to add up to the number clues. You cannot use any digit more than once when adding up to a clue.

Difficulty Level ★★★ 11/05



BRIDGE

Today is Guy Fawkes' Night in England. It commemorates the unsuccessful attempt of Guy Fawkes and his gang in 1605 to blow up the Houses of Parliament while King James I of England and James VI of Scotland was giving his speech to open the new session. The English light bonfires with effigies of Guy Fawkes on them and let off fireworks.

This deal featured fireworks in the bidding. What do you think of the various choices?

South nearly overcalled two spades. Yes, the hand would have been strong for a weak jump overcall, but opposite a passed partner, game was unlikely. When West responded two hearts, South metaphorically kicked himself. Surely a passed hand wouldn't have been able to bid three hearts.

After that, East-West advertised their double fit in the red suits. South knew that when both sides have a double fit, it usually pays to declare. So South bid the rare five over five, which turned out to be wrong here.

Five hearts would have gone down two if North-South had taken one spade, two hearts and a diamond ruff.

Against five spades doubled, West led his club. East won with his ace and returned the suit, South ducking, and West ruffing. After a diamond to the ace and no second club ruff, South conceded down one.

North immediately said that he was going to double five hearts. "Yes," replied South, "and because you knew you wanted to do that, you should have doubled five diamonds to key me in."

"Yes ... I must admit I didn't think of that." It was a good point, though.

North 11-05-20
♠ Q 6 5 4
♥ A Q 5
♦ 10 5
♣ 10 6 4 2

West
♠ 7
♥ K J 10 8 3
♦ K 9 7 6 4 3
♣ J

East
♠ 9 3
♥ 7 6 2
♦ A Q J 8
♣ A Q 5 3

South
♠ A K J 10 8 2
♥ 9 4
♦ 2
♣ K 9 8 7

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
	Pass	Pass	1♦
1♠	2♥	3♠	4♥
4♠	5♦	Pass	5♥
5♠	Dbl.	All Pass	

Opening lead: ♣ J

SUDOKU

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★☆☆

8	9							
				6	7	2		5
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							5	4

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How to play: Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

2	1	5	6	4	3	8	9	7
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9	7	1	3	6	2	5	8	4

Democratic Sen. Gary Peters wins re-election

By DAVID EGGERT
Associated Press

LANSING — Democratic Michigan Sen. Gary Peters won reelection Wednesday, defeating Republican challenger John James in a tight race.

The 61-year-old Peters continued Democrats' dominance of Senate elections in the battleground presidential state. Republicans have won just once there since the 1970s, despite having spent heavily to try to unseat Peters in one of their few pickup opportunities.

Peters is a former congressman, state lawmaker, lottery commissioner and investment adviser who served in the Navy Reserve. He ran by emphasizing his bipartisan work, his ranking as one of the most effective senators and James' support for President Donald Trump.

"I am sincerely honored that the voters of Michigan have once again put their trust and confidence in me to represent them in the United States Senate," Peters said in a statement. "As we look ahead, I am energized to keep working to move our state forward and continue putting Michigan first."

Earlier in the day, James retweeted his campaign consultant's claim that he had "won this race" – despite Peters later taking and building his lead – drawing criticism from Democrats. James' campaign could not be reached for comment Wednesday night.

Carolyn Kaster / AP

Sen. Gary Peters, D-Mich., speaks during an event Oct. 16 with Democratic presidential candidate and former Vice President Joe Biden in Southfield, Mich.

Peters, 61, was one of two incumbent Democrats running for reelection in a state Donald Trump won in 2016 – a presidential battleground no less and a rare place on the Senate map for Republicans to play offense in 2020. James, a 39-year-old Black businessman and Iraq War veteran, was waging a stiff challenge as he aimed to become the first Michigan Republican to win a U.S. Senate seat in a quarter-century.

Peters, a former congressman, state senator, lottery commissioner and investment adviser, emphasized his bipartisanship and ranking as an effective senator, saying more of his bills were into law by Trump than any other Senate Democrat. He also criticized James' opposition to the federal health care overhaul and noted James backed Trump "2,000 percent" during his first campaign – a 2018 loss to Sen. Debbie Stabenow.

James, who would become Michigan's first African American senator, highlighted his leadership of his family's automotive logistics company in Detroit and his service in combat after graduating from West Point. His campaign gave 5 percent of donations to charity.

He called Peters a "do-nothing" career politician and questioned his bipartisan credentials, noting he voted against confirming all three of Trump's Supreme Court nominees.

Republicans have taken just one of Michigan's last 15 Senate races, in 1994, when Spencer Abraham won an open seat.

Election challengers: Common challenges, their basis and why process takes a while

By MIKHAYLA DUNAJ
Detroit Free Press

Detroit's absentee counting board has drawn national attention as election inspectors counted thousands of absentee ballots in the last two days, and the Trump campaign filed a legal challenge over Michigan's vote count.

The suit propelled protests Wednesday at the TCF Center on Wednesday where Detroit's election workers were counting absentee ballots. By the afternoon Republican protesters gathered, shouting "Stop the Count," and were met by counter protesters shouting "Count Every Vote."

With absentee ballot counting in the spotlight, here's a look at the process and rules around challenges.

Carlos Osorio / AP

People wanting to be election challengers yell as they look through the windows of the central counting board as police were helping to keep additional challengers from entering due to overcrowding Wednesday in Detroit.

What happens at the absentee counting boards?

An absent voter counting board is established for absentee ballots to be processed and counted separate from precinct activity, according to the state Bureau of Elections' Michigan Election Officials' Manual. The people counting and processing are elections inspectors appointed by a board of Michigan city or township elections commissioners.

Counting boards process and count absentee ballots. Processing involves several detailed tasks like checking signatures against an absentee ballot application and checking the electronic pollbook to make sure a voter didn't vote at the polls on Election Day. The tasks take place before a ballot is tabulated.

What is the role of challengers at the counting boards?

Election challengers are appointed officials who may observe absent voter counting boards. They must be appointed by a political party or qualified interest group and wear credentials provided by those who appointed them. Like challengers at polling places on Election Day, those observing the absentee counting process can challenge someone's right to vote if they have a good reason to believe the person casting the ballot is not eligible to vote, said Eliza Sweren-Becker, an expert on voting rights nationally and election counsel for the Brennan Center for Justice.

Challengers have a right to observe the process of counting "at a reasonable distance," according to the state.

What are the common kinds of challenges can be made while ballots are counted?

Sweren-Becker said four typical challenges to ballots:

- The voter is not a resident of the city or township of the city where they requested an absentee ballot
- The voter was not 18 years old and ineligible to vote
- The voter is not a United States citizen
- The voter did not register in time for the election

"It is very clear that challenges can't be made based simply on an impression that the voter might be ineligible or (for) discriminatory reason based on perception about the race or ethnic background of the voter," Sweren-Becker said.

Michigan law says that one challenger per political party or sponsoring organization may serve in an absent counting board. Challengers, like election inspectors, must take an oath to not relay information about the tallying of votes until after the polls close.

Why does the absentee counting process take so long?

The processing and counting ballots take time. Ballots are sealed in two envelopes. When ballots are cast in person at a polling place, poll workers can check that a voter is are registered at that time. Absentee counting boards must perform their due diligence without the voter standing before them. And they have a limited time to process ballots. Many states allow clerks to start that process weeks before Election Day. In Michigan, a a new law allowed election officials to start processing ballots on Monday, but counting had to start on Election Day. Challenges slows down the painstaking process.

"Every vote should count and that is what election administrators, their election officials and their staff members are doing," Sweren-Becker said. "We should be grateful for the hard work that they are doing. It is important that we count every vote, have patience and make sure that every American's voice who took the time to cast their ballot is heard."

Welch joins McCormack on state Supreme Court, giving Dems 4-3 majority

By LAUREN GIBBONS
mlive.com

Chief Justice Bridget Mary McCormack will retain her seat on the Michigan Supreme Court, and Elizabeth Welch was elected to join her on the state's highest court.

Both winners were nominated by the Democratic Party, upending the balance of power on the high court.

Two of the seven seats on the Michigan Supreme Court were up for election this cycle – the seat currently held by McCormack and Justice Stephen Markman's seat, which he will vacate at the end of the term under the state's mandatory retirement requirements for justices.

McCormack benefited from her incumbent status, which meant her title of "Justice" appeared on the nonpartisan ballot. She handily won the most support, earning more than 2.3 million votes statewide with 95 percent of precincts reporting, according to results tracked by the Associated Press. Welch took second place with more than 1.4 million ballots cast in her favor, more than 20 percent of the vote.

Third-place candidate Mary Kelly, with 17 percent of the vote, conceded Wednesday evening.

Although Michigan Supreme Court seats are nonpartisan on the ballot, candidates are nominated at party conventions. Republican nominees currently hold a 4-3 majority. This week's election results mean Democratic nominees will gain the majority on the court for the first time since 2010.

It was expensive race, with outside groups pouring millions to get nominees' names in front of voters, much of which was funded by dark money organizations that aren't required to disclose their donors under Michigan law, a joint investigation by MLive and the Michigan Campaign Finance Network found. Much of that spending went to the Democratic nominees.

McCormack and Welch, essentially ran a joint campaign, appearing together in political mailers and television ads throughout the state for months ahead of the election. Their biggest outside backer was Justice For All, a PAC representing a coalition of groups that included the Michigan Association for Justice, an organization that has long been an ally of Democrats.

For the most part, Republican nominees – Kelly, longtime St. Clair county prosecutor, and Court of Appeals Judge Brock Swartzle – ran separate campaigns, although both were supported by PACs affiliated with groups like the Michigan Chamber of Commerce and Right to Life of Michigan.

Swartzle, who garnered 13 percent of the vote, also conceded Wednesday.

Other candidates in the Supreme Court race were Susan Hubbard, Kerry Morgan and Katherine Nepton.

For some supporters of McCormack and Welch, the stakes rose after a blockbuster Supreme Court decision stripped Gov. Gretchen Whitmer of her emergency authority to issue orders responding to the COVID-19 pandemic without the legislature. The decision to overturn the 1945 law from which Whitmer drew her authority was a 4-3 split between Republican-nominated and Democratic-nominated justices.

Although Michigan's state Supreme Court race wasn't the costliest compared to other states with competitive races, the cycle continued a longstanding trend in state court races where outside groups significantly outspent the campaigns they were backing.

Republicans appear to retain majority in Michigan House

By CRAIG MAUGER and CHRISTINE FERRETTI
The Detroit News

LANSING — The battle for the Michigan House took a page from the presidential race as House Republicans said Wednesday they had kept their majority and Democrats argued for patience and counting every vote.

The House Republicans appeared to clinch a majority Wednesday morning when state Rep. Ryan Berman, R-Commerce Township, defeated West Bloomfield Democrat Julia Pulver 52 percent to 47 percent in Oakland County's House District 39. Berman prevailed even though Democratic Gov. Gretchen Whitmer campaigned for Pulver ahead of Election Day.

Democrats had targeted three seats in Michigan's second most populous county – districts around the Commerce Township, Rochester Hills and Novi areas – in their decade-long bid to retake control of the state House.

Democrats flipped one seat in Oakland County when Novi City Council member Kelly Breen defeated Republican Chase Turner 52 percent-48 percent in House District 38. The Rochester area House District 45 remained undecided as Republican Mark Tisdel led Democrat Barb Anness 52 percent-48 percent with 80 percent of precincts reporting.

"It looks like the House Republicans basically hold serve," said Grassroots Midwest CEO Adrian Hemond, a Democratic consultant.

The Republicans currently hold a 58-52 majority. Democrats needed to flip four GOP seats to take control of the House.

Democrats had picked up two seats as of 9:50 a.m. Wednesday – one in Oakland County and one in Kalamazoo County, where Democrat Christine Morse beat Republican Bronwyn Haltom, 54 percent to 46 percent.

The GOP earlier flipped a seat when Republican Timothy Beson defeated State Rep. Brian Elder, D-Bay City, 57 percent to 43 percent in House District 96. It was one of the districts targeted by the GOP to counter Democratic efforts in Oakland County and near where President Donald Trump campaigned in September during an airport rally in Freeland.

"The people of Michigan have spoken loud and clear – they want two more years of House Republican leadership at their state Capitol," House Speaker Lee Chatfield, R-Levering, said in a Wednesday statement.

"House Republicans have the best plan of action to lead our state forward, and we have a proven track record of turning those plans into tangible results over the past ten years. That is why our message struck a chord with voters looking for real answers and why this team was successful statewide. I'm looking forward to seeing what this team can accomplish over the next two years."

House Democratic Leader Christine Greig, D-Farmington Hills, put out a statement shortly before 9 a.m. Wednesday preaching patience and allowing the remaining votes to be counted.

"During the campaign, candidates had their say, and now voters must have their say. An accurate count of every eligible vote is more important than a quick count. It's important that election administrators take the necessary time to get it right," Greig said.

"Only election administrators can officially determine the winners after the ballots are counted accurately. Michiganders made an extraordinary effort to vote and deserve to have each and every one of their ballots counted."

Republicans were making a bid to flip a second Democratic seat in Genesee County. GOP Genesee County Commissioner David Martin of Davison led State Rep. Sheryl Kennedy, D-Davison 50.5 percent to 49.5 percent in House District 48 with 62 percent of precincts reporting.

Whitmer had campaigned for Kennedy, while Republicans had pelted the area with visits by Trump surrogates, among others. Donald Trump Jr. and rock singer Ted Nugent made a Saturday campaign stop at a Davison gun company.

A Republican House majority would be a major blow to Whitmer, who had told reporters the results of Tuesday's election would help determine the direction of negotiations with legislative leaders over further rules and restrictions aimed at reining in the spread of COVID-19.

Chatfield and Senate Majority Leader Mike Shirkey, R-Clarklake, have said they would support what they consider reasonable restrictions aimed to stemming COVID-19 while allowing the economy to function with the continued operation of businesses and services.

The Democratic governor had butted heads with Republican House and Senate leaders over coronavirus policies. The Michigan Supreme Court ruled a month ago that Whitmer had violated a 1976 law by extending a state of emergency past April without the Legislature's approval and used what it declared an unconstitutional 1945 emergency law to make unilateral executive orders imposing restrictions on businesses and people's movements.

ELECTION 2020

BH school board to have 4 new faces

Incumbent Darwin Watson ousted

By LOUISE WREGE
HP Staff Writer

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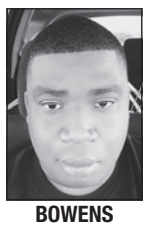
BOWENS

ROCKETTE-MARTIN

CLARK-CRAYTON

BENTON HARBOR — The Benton Harbor school board will have four new members sworn in to take their seats in January.

Candidates receiving the most votes were Reinaldo Tripplett (6,674), Angel Clark Crayton (4,776), Trenton Bowens (4,409) and Stephanie Rockette-Martin (4,099), according to unofficial results.

Trustee Darwin Watson, the only incumbent on the ballot Tuesday, received 2,997 votes, which were not enough for him to keep his seat. He was appointed in October 2019. Not seeking re-election are President Joseph Taylor, Vice President Michelle Crowder and Trustee Denise Whatley-Seats.

The other two people running for a board seat were Apollonia Williams, who received 3,984 votes, and Marvin Haywood, who got 2,687 votes.

Tripplett, a former teacher, coach and administrator in the school district, said he was humbled by the trust the citizens put in him with their vote.

"When I asked the citizens for their vote, I made a promise that I would stay committed to excellence in education and that I would be their voice at the table," he said when contacted Wednesday.

Crayton said she looks forward to working with the new board of education and is committed to doing what is best for the students.

Bowens said it's an exciting time for the school district.

"I'm ready to get to work to advocate for the children of Benton Harbor," he said.

Rockette-Martin said she wants to make sure that the work started by Superintendent Andrae Townsel continues.

"I believe in him," she said. "He has reached out to this community during the pandemic and made sure to feed the children."

She said it's important to help him make sure the students have the skills they need to be successful in life after they leave the district.

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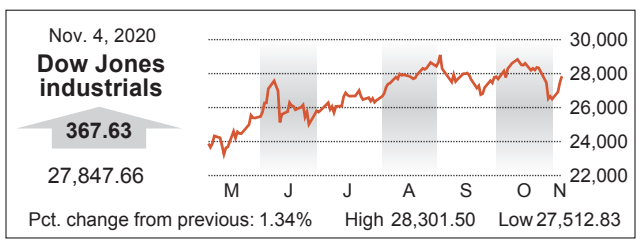

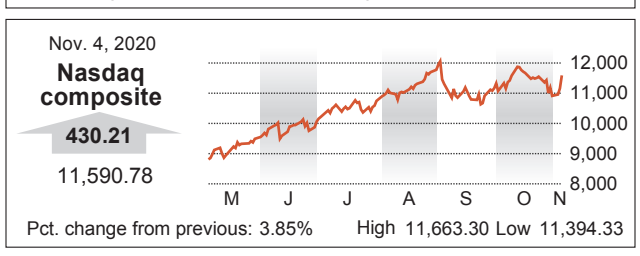

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Whirlpool WHR
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▼ **4-wk.** -.9% ▲ **YTD** +31.8%

Local Stocks

NAME	TICKER	52-WK RANGE LO	HI	◇CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	WK	MO	QTR
AT&T Inc	T	26.08	39.70	27.04	-.42	-1.5	▲	▼	▼
AEP	AEP	65.14	104.97	90.15	-.74	-0.8	▲	▲	▲
Apple Inc s	AAPL	53.15	137.98	114.95	+4.51	+4.1	▲	▼	▼
AutoZone	AZO	684.91	1274.41	1154.02	-10.63	-0.9	▲	▲	▼
BP PLC	BP	14.74	40.08	16.13	-.05	-0.3	▲	▼	▼
CMS Eng	CMS	46.03	69.12	64.56	-.74	-1.1	▲	▲	▲
CocaCola	KO	36.27	60.07	49.17	-.18	-0.4	▲	▼	▼
Comcast	CMCSA	31.71	47.74	43.70	+1.08	+2.5	▲	▼	▼
Deere	DE	106.14	243.40	233.30	-6.66	-2.8	▲	▲	▲
Disney	DIS	79.07	153.41	125.07	+1.05	+0.8	▲	▲	▲
DollarTree	DLTR	60.20	114.83	95.25	+1.60	+1.7	▲	▲	▲
ExxonMbl	XOM	30.11	73.12	33.23	-.18	-0.5	▲	▼	▼
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MillerHer	MLHR	14.39	49.88	31.51	-.56	-1.7	▲	▼	▲
Perrigo	PRGO	40.01	63.86	41.29	-4.07	-9.0	▼	▼	▼
Pfizer	PFE	27.88	40.97	37.33	+1.14	+3.2	▲	▲	▲
ProctGam	PG	94.34	145.87	140.64	-.58	-0.4	▲	▬	▲
RepubSvc	RSG	65.37	100.91	93.87	+1.47	+1.6	▲	▲	▲
Steelcse	SCS	7.02	23.02	10.54	-.60	-5.4	▲	▼	▲
Stryker	SYK	124.54	227.39	207.73	-.53	-0.3	▲	▼	▼
TCF Finl	TCF	16.96	47.46	26.98	-2.38	-8.1	▼	▲	▲
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UPS B	UPS	82.00	178.01	162.58	-.90	-0.6	▲	▼	▼
VerizonCm	VZ	48.84	62.22	57.22	-.53	-0.9	▲	▼	▼
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Whrlpl	WHR	64.00	207.30	194.40	-3.37	-1.7	▲	▼	▲
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Berrien Health Department slammed by COVID-19 surge

Gatherings blamed for big jump in caseload

By ALEXANDRA NEWMAN
HP Staff Writer

BENTON TOWNSHIP — Berrien County continues to set records when it comes to new COVID-19 cases and the health department is struggling to keep up.

Nicki Britten, the county's health officer, told the Berrien County Board of Health on Wednesday morning that the over 80 new cases reported on Sunday was a record.

"We're not seeing any sign of slowing," she said. "That's an unattainable level of case investigation for us to keep up with, so we're continuing to determine what our response looks like as health departments across the state and the country are all having those conversations."

Michigan reported the highest single-day COVID-19 count on Wednesday since the COVID-19 pandemic started.

Berrien County added 43 new cases, 20 new presumed cases and one death Wednesday. Sixty-five new recoveries were reported.

This brings the county's number of active cases to about 402. That's down from 425 on Tuesday and up from 367 last Wednesday.

Britten said the majority of new cases are coming from gatherings and pointed to the early September decision by the state to raise limits on gatherings as a factor.

"The amount of connections people are having is also a big factor in transmission," she said.

Britten said the county's percent positivity rate remains close to 8 percent.

"We've seen a little bit of flattening around 7-8 percent after a sharp increase," she said. "We'll see if that trend holds."

She said the county does not believe it's getting more cases because it is doing more testing.

"We haven't increased our testing enough to explain that," Britten said.

She said the percent positivity data is going to become increasingly more difficult to understand with the fact that several area employers have started using rapid testing, and the negatives from those tests don't always get reported to the heath department.

The number of COVID-19 patients in the hospital at Spectrum Health Lakeland was 33 on Wednesday. That's up from 32 on Tuesday and 30 last Wednesday.

Dr. Ken Edwards, a local orthopedic surgeon and member of the board of health, said the high number of COVID-19 patients hasn't affected any elective services yet, but the hospital leadership is having discussions on different options if things continue to get worse.

"But this is a very intense situation," he said.

Edwards said he's noticed a troubling belief growing among some people that somehow herd immunity is a solution to COVID-19.

"I think it's really important that the board of health reemphasizes our commitment to mask wearing, social distancing and really put to rest the fallacy of herd immunity," he said.

Van Buren/ Cass update

Cass County recorded another COVID-19 death Wednesday. This brings the county's death toll to 25.

In addition, the county added 21 new cases.

Van Buren County is still at 18 deaths. The county added 35 new cases Wednesday.

Flu shot opportunities

The final community drive-thru flu vaccination clinic hosted by the Berrien County Health Department is 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the south county health department office, 1205 Front St., Niles.

Walk-In flu vaccinations also continue to be offered at the health department offices in Niles and Benton Harbor 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Fridays through Nov. 20.

For more information, visit www.bchdmi.org.

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OBITUARIES

Death notices

Otis Conrad Jr., 85, of Niles died Nov. 3, 2020, at Lakeland Medical Center, St. Joseph. Brown Funeral Home, Niles, 683-1155.

Patricia Eileen (McCrery) Day died Nov. 2, 2020. Pike Funeral Home, Boyd Chapel, Bridgman, 465-3239.

Mary Ellen Rizzo, 99, of Benton Township died Nov. 2, 2020, at Pine Ridge Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, Stevensville. Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service, Benton Township, 926-7222.

Cynthia "Cyndi" Weiss, of Sodus Township died Nov. 2, 2020, at her home. Fairplain Chapel, Florin Funeral Service, Benton Harbor, 926-7222.

Patricia Eileen Day

June 30, 1934 – Nov. 2, 2020

Patricia Eileen (McCrery) Day passed away peacefully Nov. 2, 2020.

A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 6, at Lakeshore Cemetery, Hagar Township. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association or Stevensville United Methodist Church. Online condolences accepted at www.PikeFH.com.

Patricia was born on June 30, 1934, in Coloma and raised on Little Paw Paw Lake.

She graduated at the top of her class from Coloma High School and remained a lifelong learner. Shortly after graduation, she moved to Benton Harbor and worked at Star Girl in the Fidelity Building as a secretary.

She and Henry James Kircher were married on July 3, 1954, and after a short time in Benton Harbor, they established residence in Stevensville.

Her working career involved office management positions that required attention to detail and a compassionate ear; traits right in line with Patricia's character. Patricia was a published author, an avid reader and enjoyed corresponding with friends and family. She also enjoyed attending art shows and brown bag concerts on the bluff.

She is survived by her daughter, Bonni (Kircher) Sullivan; as well as numerous, loving, relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents: John and Gladys McCrery Sr.; a brother, Johnny "Red" McCrery Jr.; a sister, Kathryn Gard-Sauvey, and her former husband, Henry James Kircher.

Arrangements entrusted to Pike Funeral and Cremation Services, Boyd Chapel. 9191 Red Arrow Hwy, Bridgman.

Cynthia Weiss

July 6, 1957 – Nov. 2, 2020

Cynthia "Cyndi" Weiss, of Sodus Township died suddenly Monday, Nov. 2, 2020, at her home.

Services celebrating her life will be at noon Saturday, Nov. 7, at the Safe Harbor Church of God of Prophecy at 3552 S. Pipestone Road, Sodus. The family will receive friends and relatives beginning at 11 a.m. until service time on Saturday at the church. Cremation has taken plane and burial of the ashes will be held at a later date next to her husband in Shanghai Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family in Cyndi's name. Arrangements are by the Fairplain Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in Benton Township. Please share memories, messages or photos at www.florin.net.

Cyndi was born on July 6, 1957, in Benton Harbor to Walter and Clara "Louise" Peachey. She was a graduate of the St. Joseph High School in 1976.

In 1997 she married her husband, Don Weiss, and he preceded her in death in 2012. Together they celebrated 15 years of marriage. Cyndi was a lifelong member of the Safe Harbor Church. She was employed at the LECO Corp for 15 years. Cyndi enjoyed painting and doing crafts. She loved to sing in church.

Her family includes her niece, Dawn (Phillip) Lingbeek of Plainwell, Mich.; her mother-in-law, Virginia Weiss of North Aurora, Ill.; her brother-in-law, Rob Weiss, of North Aurora, Ill.; her sister-in-law, Naomi (Jim) Mostyn of Bartlett, Ill; her nephews: Justin and Ryan; her other niece, Madison; her great-niece, Kaela; and her dog, Delilah.

U.S. formally exits Paris pact aiming to curb climate change

BERLIN (AP) — The United States on Wednesday formally left the Paris Agreement, a global pact it helped forge five years ago to avert the threat of catastrophic climate change.

The move, long threatened by U.S. President Donald Trump and triggered by his administration a year ago, further isolates Washington in the world but has no immediate impact on international efforts to curb global warming.

Still, the U.N. agency that oversees the treaty, France as the host of the 2015 Paris talks and three countries currently chairing the body that organizes them – Chile, Britain and Italy – issued a joint statement expressing regret at the U.S. withdrawal.

"There is no greater responsibility than protecting our planet and people from the threat of climate change," the statement said. "The science is clear that we must urgently scale up action and work together to reduce the impacts of global warming and to ensure a greener, more resilient future for us all. The Paris Agreement provides the right framework to achieve this."

"We remain committed to working with all U.S. stakeholders and partners around the world to accelerate climate action, and with all signatories to ensure the full implementation of the Paris Agreement," they added.

The next planned round of U.N. climate talks takes place in Glasgow, Scotland, in 2021. At present, 189 countries have ratified the accord, which aims to keep the increase in average temperatures worldwide "well below" 3.6 degrees Fahrenheit, ideally no more than 2.7 F, compared to pre-industrial levels. A further six countries have signed, but not ratified the pact.

Scientists say that any rise beyond 2 degrees Celsius could have a devastating impact on large parts of the world, raising sea levels, stoking tropical storms and worsening droughts and floods.

The world has already warmed 2.2 degrees Fahrenheit since pre-industrial time, so the efforts are really about preventing another 0.5 to 1.3 degrees Fahrenheit warming from now.

"Having the U.S. pull out of Paris is likely to reduce efforts to mitigate, and therefore increase the number of people who are put into a life-or-death situation because of the impacts of climate change: this is clear from the science," said Cornell University climate scientist Natalie Mahowald, a co-author of U.N. science reports on global warming.

The Paris accord requires countries to set their own voluntary targets for reducing greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide, and to steadily increase those goals every few years. The only binding requirement is that nations have to accurately report on their efforts.

"The beauty of this system is that nobody can claim they were bullied into some sort of plan," said Nigel Purvis, a former U.S. climate negotiator in the administrations of Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush. "They're not negotiated. They're accepted."

The United States is the world's second biggest emitter after China of heat-trapping gases such as carbon dioxide and its contribution to cutting emissions is seen as important, but it's not alone in the effort. In recent weeks, China, Japan and South Korea have joined the European Union and several other countries in setting national deadlines to stop pumping more greenhouse gases into the atmosphere than can be removed from the air with trees and other methods.

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DO YOU REMEMBER?

1995 – 25 years ago

The River Valley Mustangs Marching Band took home the trophy for best in Class C at the Jenison High School Marching Band Invitational on Oct. 21. Earlier this month, the Mustangs received a first division award at the Southwest Michigan Marching Band Festival, and took first place in Class C at the Hasting High School Marching Band Festival. The band is under the direction of Tom Crowner, assisted by Robert Hay.

1985 – 35 years ago

Paula Nordlin of Coloma, owner of Paula Nordlin's Dog Learning Center, has written and illustrated a book, "Solving Dog Behavioral Problems with Dog-Tronic." Included in the book are chapters on how to teach your dog to come and how to control such behavioral problems as barking, jumping, chasing, stealing, aggression, digging and chewing. Also included is an eight-week course on basic obedience training.

1970 – 50 years ago

Construction of the seawall being built along Red Arrow Highway in St. Joseph is progressing ahead of schedule with slightly more than half of the planned construction completed, according to project Engineer George Danek. The wall now runs from the Chesapeake and Ohio railway seawall to a point south of Hilltop Avenue. When completed, the seawall will extend to Hawthorne Avenue – a distance of 6,000 feet.

TODAY IN HISTORY

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, Nov. 5, the 310th day of 2020. There are 56 days left in the year.

Highlight in history:

On Nov. 5, 2009, a shooting rampage at the Fort Hood Army post in Texas left 13 people dead; Maj. Nidal Hasan, an Army psychiatrist, was later convicted of murder and sentenced to death. (No execution date has been set.)

On this date:

In 1605, the "Gunpowder Plot" failed as Guy Fawkes was seized before he could blow up the English Parliament.

In 1781, the Continental Congress elected John Hanson of Maryland its chairman, giving him the title of "President of the United States in Congress Assembled."

In 1872, suffragist Susan B. Anthony defied the law by attempting to cast a vote for President Ulysses S. Grant. (Anthony was convicted by a judge and fined $100, but she never paid the penalty.)

In 1912, Democrat Woodrow Wilson was elected president, defeating Progressive Party candidate Theodore Roosevelt, incumbent Republican William Howard Taft and Socialist Eugene V. Debs.

In 1940, President Franklin D. Roosevelt won an unprecedented third term in office as he defeated Republican challenger Wendell L. Willkie.

In 1968, Republican Richard M. Nixon won the presidency, defeating Democratic Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey and American Independent candidate George C. Wallace.

5-Day Forecast for St. Joseph

Today	Tonight	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Mostly Cloudy	Clear	Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
63°	47°	64° / 48°	66° / 50°	68° / 54°	67° / 52°

Local Outlook

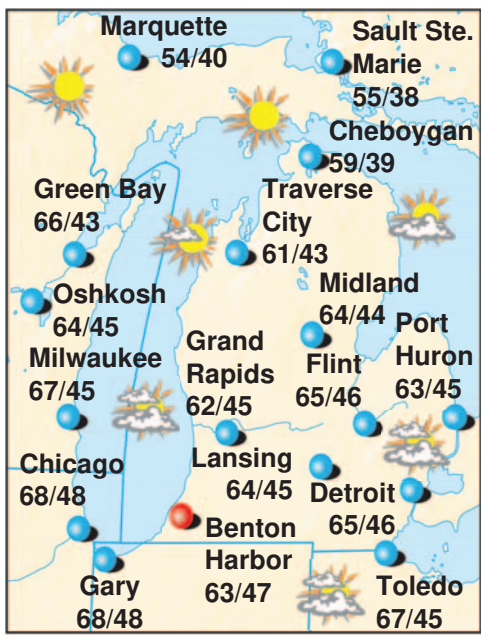
Today we will see mostly cloudy skies, high temperature of 63°, humidity of 61%. South southwest wind 7 to 14 mph. Expect clear skies tonight, overnight low of 47°. South southwest wind 2 to 7 mph. Friday, skies will be sunny, high of 64°, humidity of 62%.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise	7:24 a.m.
Sunset	5:33 p.m.
Moonrise	9:09 p.m.
Moonset	12:06 p.m.

Last	New	First	Full
11/8	11/15	11/21	11/30

Regional Map



Local Almanac

Benton Harbor Yesterday

Temperature

High	73°
Low	47°
Normal High	55°
Normal Low	37°
Record High	75° in 2015
Record Low	24° in 1999

Precipitation

Yesterday	0.00"
Month to date	0.01"
Normal for month	0.53"
Year to date	30.25"
Normal Year to date	32.53"

Air Quality

Yesterday	50
Main Offender	Particles

The higher the number, the greater the need for people with respiratory problems to reduce outside activity.

0-50	Good
51-100	Moderate
101-150	Sensitive
151-200	Unhealthy

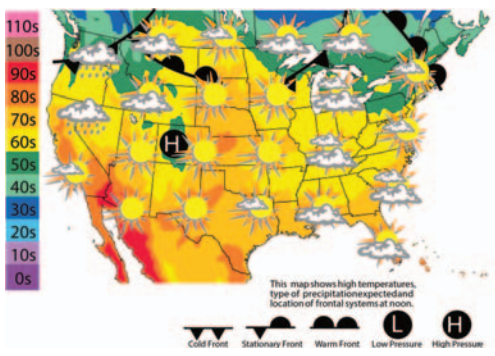
Weather Trivia

Why does thunder always come after the lightning bolt?

Answer: Because sound travels slower than light.

National Weather Map

Forecast map for Nov. 5, 2020



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Lake Michigan

Today, SSW wind 11 to 14 kt. Partly sunny. Waves 1 to 2 ft. Water temperature 65 degrees. Tonight, SSW wind around 9 kt. Mostly clear. Waves 1 ft or less.

Michigan Forecast

Upper Peninsula

Today, skies will be sunny to partly cloudy with highs in the 50s and 60s. West southwest wind 7 to 10 mph. Expect partly cloudy skies Friday with highs in the 50s and 60s. Southwest wind 7 to 10 mph.

Lower Peninsula

Today, skies will be mostly cloudy with highs in the 60s. South southwest wind 7 to 14 mph. Expect sunny skies Friday with highs in the 60s. South wind 2 to 7 mph.

Trump sues in 3 states, laying ground for contesting outcome

By MARK SHERMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's campaign filed lawsuits Wednesday in Pennsylvania, Michigan and Georgia, laying the groundwork for contesting battleground states as he slipped behind Democrat Joe Biden in the hunt for the 270 Electoral College votes needed to win the White House.

The new filings, joining existing Republican legal challenges in Pennsylvania and Nevada, demand better access for campaign observers to locations where ballots are being processed and counted, and absentee ballot concerns, the campaign said. However, at one Michigan location in question The Associated Press observed poll watchers from both sides monitoring on Wednesday.

The AP called Michigan for Democrat Joe Biden on Wednesday. Nevada, Pennsylvania and Georgia are undecided.

The Trump campaign also is seeking to intervene in a Pennsylvania case at the Supreme Court that deals with whether ballots received up to three days after the election can be counted, deputy campaign manager Justin Clark said.

The actions reveal an emerging legal strategy that the president had signaled for weeks, namely that he would attack the integrity of the voting process in states where the result could mean his defeat.

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Pennsylvania, while also submitting a recount challenge in Wisconsin.

"We will likely have unofficial results by the end of the week. Official results will likely come next week," Bohm said. "It takes longer because absentee ballots and early voting ballots have to be opened and judged by members of both political parties to ensure validity."

The federal deadline for the Electoral College to meet and complete election results is in mid-December.

For comparison, the result of the George W. Bush and Al Gore race was announced on Dec. 12, 2000 – more than a month after the general election.

But that's the worst-case scenario, Bohm said.

"The challenges that have been outlined are at the state level and have the ability to be resolved at the state level fairly quickly," she said.

Regarding local races, Bohm said she was surprised by the senate race between incumbent Gary Peters and challenger John James. Polls initially gave Peters a 3- to 4-point lead, but the incumbent had to play catch up Wednesday as votes from Wayne County helped him surpass James.

"I'm surprised how close it was," Bohm said. "As far as Rep. (Fred) Upton, I'm not surprised. The polling for those were done well."

Bohm said polling is a snapshot in time, and that it is not always reliable.

"You are trying to make a prediction of things to happen in the future," Bohm said. "They are always changing. Statistical models are affected by several things, including a history of voters. When you have millions of new, first-time voters, that skews the numbers because we don't know how they will vote."

A participant asked the panel why voting differed so much between rural and urban areas.

Hernandez said those areas are affected by different values and economic levels.

"In terms of what's going on in people's lives, living in the city, you have close access to doctors, police and fire departments," Hernandez said. "In more rural areas, you may have to travel farther to access those resources. They may rely on their own family and friends for those resources."

Lastly, Scrima discussed how the country can move forward – especially when the nation is split by an "us-versus-them" mentality.

She said it is everyone's responsibility to bridge the divide that has taken hold.

"How can we get to a place where we can talk to each other respectfully? We need to first recognize the differences. Maybe there's something people can learn from another person's perspective. But in order to do that, we have to have a dialogue," Scrima said. "That's what's gotten tricky. My feeling is we all have a part to play. It's a human problem. We as a species need to learn how to talk to one another, knowing we we all not be alike."

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recounts and legal challenges of razor-thin margins in one or more of the swing states of Wisconsin, Michigan, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Georgia, Arizona and Nevada, a bitter pill for those certain the future of the country will be determined by the result.

Though the AP was able to call Wisconsin and Michigan for Biden on Wednesday afternoon, the other states remained in flux. The fate of lower races remained unknown too, including the balance of the Senate, where forecasts of Democrats achieving a majority now seemed all but out of reach.

The Trump campaign said it filed lawsuits Wednesday in Pennsylvania and Michigan and was seeking a recount in Wisconsin, laying the groundwork for contesting the outcome in battleground states.

Jason Klemm, a 49-year-old actor in Philadelphia, sipped vodka from a 7-Eleven cup Wednesday morning in Rittenhouse Square, trying to ease his nerves after staying glued to television coverage until 4 a.m., then rising after a nap. As returns continued streaming in, Klemm felt more confident than he did a few hours earlier that his candidate, Biden, could prevail. But he knew the results would fall short of what he'd hoped for.

"I would have liked a miracle last night but it didn't happen," said Klemm, whose state showed Trump leading with many votes uncounted. "But every time I walk away and come back later, it's a little bit better for Biden."

The possibility of seeing Trump ushered from Pennsylvania Avenue was a tough one for his supporters to grasp, too. Jim Green, a 73-year-old accountant from Greenfield, Wisconsin, said he felt confident the president could win even as he feared the alternative. When a neighbor stopped by Wednesday to commiserate, the weight of the uncertainty was evident.

"I'm sick to my stomach," the SUV's driver said to Green, who responded: "Just don't go buy a gun and shoot people."

In Nevada, where Biden leads, one of his supporters, Mike McClain, said however long it takes, he was confident in the result.

"I think after the dust settles it will be a clear Biden victory, no matter what the Trump lawyers do with it," said McClain, a retired schoolteacher, industrial engineer and Vietnam-era U.S. Army veteran who is in his 70s and lives in suburban Las Vegas.

Some supporters of Trump appeared resigned to that fate too, but were left questioning the result after initial projections in some states were more in favor of the president.

"I'm angry. The left-wing party is trying to force the election the other direction and it should have been decided last night," said Stacy Rhoades, a 45-year-old security officer in Washington, Pennsylvania. "Trump should have been the winner. He was leading in all the Democratic states when we went to bed and now it's changed."

In North Carolina, where Democrats clung to hope despite a lead for Trump, Stephan King, a 66-year-old who gave Biden his vote said he knew it could be days more before anything was certain.

"We thought Biden was down, then Biden was up, then Biden was down, Biden was up, so it's coming in waves," said King, of Durham, North Carolina. "For all the votes that have to be counted, it's gonna take a few days for it."

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to collaborate on what is best for all is the most invigorating part of the role of state representative," he wrote.

VandenHeede, a retired Dowagiac teacher, gave up his 20-year stint on the Niles City Council to run for this seat.

He wrote a statement to supporters on Facebook Wednesday morning: "I told myself all along that whatever happened I would wake up on Nov. 4 knowing I did everything I could, and I have. So many of you have given your all as well. Thank you to everyone for the incredible support through all of this – you kept me going and pushed me to work harder and do better myself."

The 78th District includes the southern portion of Berrien County and the western portion of Cass County.

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with the word "elected" on would be the winner.

After lots are drawn, either candidate could then ask for a recount, she said.

Bell said he was excited and shocked when he heard that they had tied.

"The fact that my message resonated with at least half of the electorate in the district, that's something to be glad about," he said.

He said that the economic and racial gaps in the community need to be acknowledged and addressed so the residents can be united.

Gorenflo said that this shows that every vote really does count.

He said that at one time after the polls closed Tuesday night, incoming results showed he was more than 700 votes ahead of Bell. But when the absentee ballots started to be counted, the tide shifted.

District 5 includes St. Joseph and Shoreham, plus Precincts 1 and 2 of St. Joseph Township.

In other board of commissioners races where there were challengers, all of the incumbents won.

District 1

Commissioner Dave Vollrath, a Republican, beat Democrat Kevin Holmes 4,505-1,887.

District 1 includes: Coloma, Coloma Township, Hagar Township and the portion of Watervliet Township north of I-94.

District 9

Commissioner Ezra Scott, a Republican, defeated Democrat Rich Eichholz 4,299-3,334.

District 9 includes: Galien, Grand Beach, Michiana, New Buffalo, Three Oaks and the townships of Chikaming, Galien, New Buffalo, Three Oaks and Weesaw.

District 12

Commissioner Michael Majerek, a Republican, defeated Democrat Michael Poorman 2,912-2,495.

District 12 includes Niles and Niles Township.

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counseling and personnel. The Coloma resident previously served on the workforce development board for Berrien, Branch and Calhoun counties.

With a background as an employment counselor, Burghdoff has said she intends to focus on affordable training programs that can lead to employment for the region.

Johnson, 62, has a bachelor's degree in nursing from DePaul University and a masters in business administration from Indiana Wesleyan University. In addition to serving on LMC's board, the St. Joseph resident is also on the advisory council for the Area Agency on Aging.

Tomasini, 55, has an associate degree from LMC and is the owner at Competitive Edge. The Stevensville resident has already spent 12 years on LMC's board and can now add another six.

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hp SPORTS

MSU stunner leaves U-M with questions

Al Arend
Big Al's Picks

I'm still pinching myself.

Did it really happen?

There's not a sports writer in the country that saw Michigan State's unbelievable victory over Michigan coming.

For that matter, no college football fan in the nation thought MSU would pull off the biggest upset ever in the history of the in-state rivalry. If anyone tells you different, they're lying!

I learned my lesson of putting stock in the outcome of season openers.

Where does Michigan go from here?

Coach Jim Harbaugh's team must run the table to win that elusive Big Ten championship, something he has yet to accomplish, in this his sixth year at the helm.

And, with games still remaining against solid Indiana, maybe Wisconsin (virus problems), Penn State and Ohio State, that would appear to be impossible, knowing Harbaugh's record in "big" games.

In games versus Michigan State (3-3), Ohio State (0-5) and bowls (1-4), he's currently 4-12, a woeful .250 winning percentage.

Overall, he's a respectable 48-19 (.716).

But he was hired for an exorbitant amount of cash to bring Michigan football back to relevance. That he has not done.

Is his job at Michigan in danger?

Only if he decides to accept another NFL head coaching offer.

After all, he's a "Michigan Man." And, the university's administration doesn't have the guts to fire him.

But, the multitude of U-M fans who never went there may feel otherwise. The rumors have already started, with several television football talking heads weighing in on the situation, even U-M grad Rich Eisen.

Idle thought

What ever happened to all the Michigan caps, shirts, jackets, etc.? Haven't seen any this week.

Top area college game

Notre Dame 34, Clemson 31

This prediction is for all my Western Michigan University buddies who think they went to Notre Dame.

Indiana 31, Michigan 27

Yes, I know the Wolverines are 3 ½-point favorites, as of this writing. But, I feel the Hoosiers are just as good or better.

Top high school games

St. Joseph 24, Harper Creek 14
Lakeshore 31, Coldwater 21

Look like another "War by the Shore" in the making. Let's hope so.

On with the forecast:

HIGH SCHOOL
Last week: 16-2, .889
Season: 63-13, .829
11-Player district semifinals
Division 3
St. Joseph 24, Harper Creek 14
Lakeshore 31, Coldwater 21

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Ron DeKett / HP Correspondent

Coloma's Boden Genovese finishes third with a time of 16:57.27 in the boys race of the Berrien County Invitational on Oct. 3.

Comets ready for cross country state finals

Coloma girls, boys teams to compete this weekend; other area qualifiers also set to race

By BEN SPENCER
HP Correspondent

Coloma's boys and girls cross country teams have continued to improve all season, and as a result both will have a shot to run with the best in the state as the MHSAA cross country state finals are set to run this weekend at Michigan International Speedway in Brooklyn.

Coloma's girls placed second at the regional meet last week, led by Ava Genovese's fourth-place finish in 20:20.60. Boden Genovese led the boys, also with a fourth-place finish in 17:20.40. The Comet boys were third as a team.

"It's amazing to have both our teams qualify for the state meet," Comets coach Courtney Churchill said. "I'm still in shock by their accomplishments. The group of boys knew they needed to show up to regionals and race as they've never raced before. Both the boys and girls teams have had a strong desire to succeed this year. We've practiced six days a week for months, and it paid off.

"The girls team had experience from last year, and the boys fed off their experience. It was a wonderful effort by everyone on the team. I can't wait to see what they can accomplish at MIS Saturday."

State finals races will be held both Friday and Saturday, with Divisions 1 and 2 running Friday. Divisions 3 and 4 compete Saturday.

Each division will have four separate races: a Section 1 and 2 race for both boys and girls. Section 1 consists of individual qualifiers and third-place finishing regional teams, while teams that placed first or second in the regional will race in Section 2.

The Coloma boys run in the Division 3, Section 1 race starting at 9:30 a.m. Saturday, while the Comets' girls team races in

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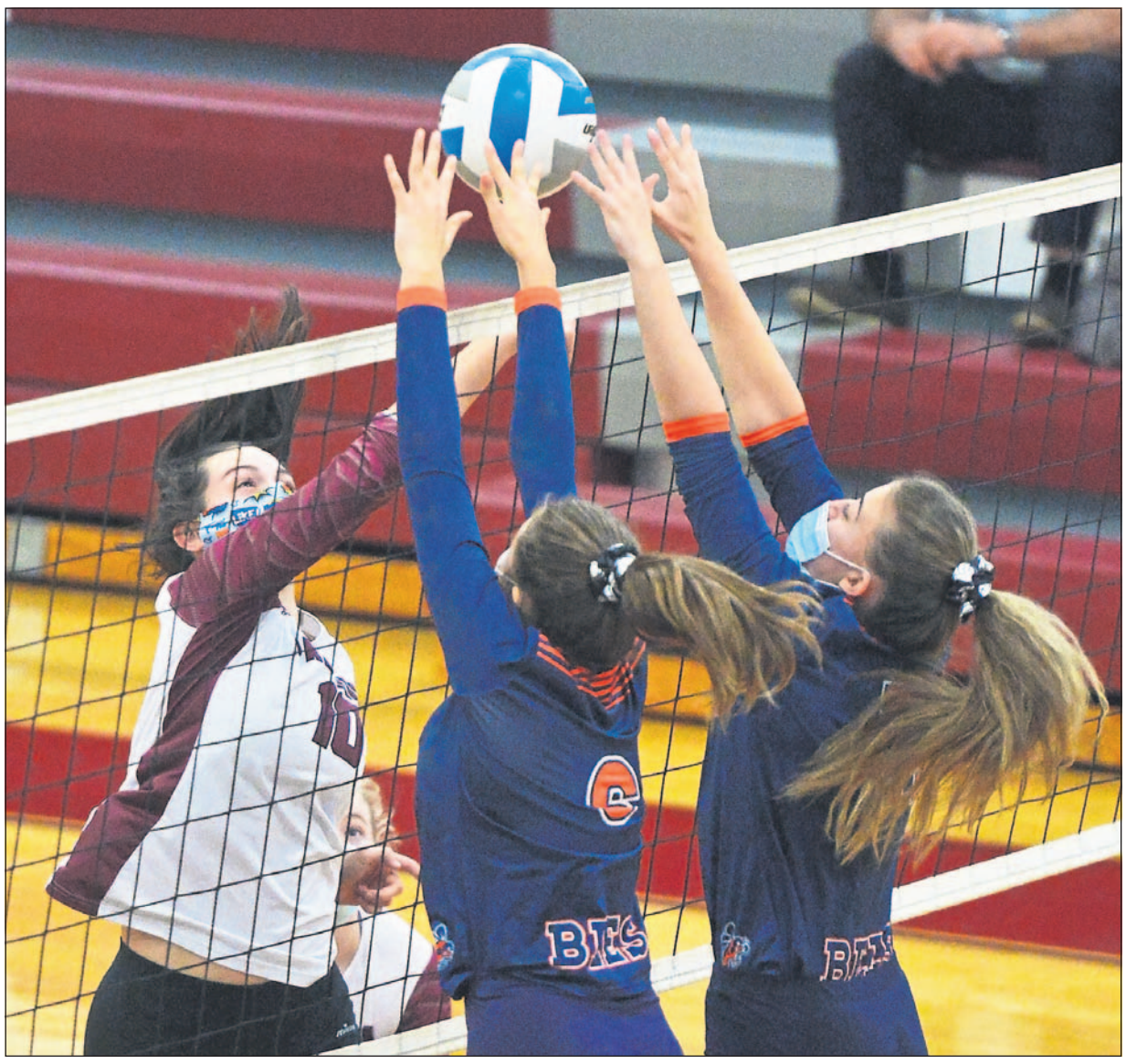

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Bridgman's Lily Barker, left, and Haylee Kanous defend against Watervliet's Myah Hobson during Wednesday night's district match at Watervliet High School.

Staying steady

Watervliet beats Bridgman in district volleyball matchup of youthful squads

By BEN SANDERS
HP Sports Editor

WATERVLIET — Watervliet was the more consistent of a pair of very young volleyball teams in Wednesday's Division 3 district semifinal.

The Panthers defeated Bridgman 25-23, 25-16, 22-25, 25-20, and will play Brandywine for the district championship at 6 p.m. today. Brandywine, the defending district champ, picked up a forfeit victory over Cassopolis in the other semifinal.

"The key for us was playing consistent," Watervliet coach Edie Daugherty said.

Most of the games were close throughout. Bridgman held a 22-17 lead late in the first game, but Watervliet took eight of the final nine points. Freshman Tia Caldwell served up two aces during the run, and sophomore Samantha Dietz finished the game off with a kill from the back row.

"Watervliet is a very good team," Bridgman coach Jim Ragosta said. "They can pose a lot of problems for different teams.

"That first game, we've got to finish out. That's a big momentum shift. We couldn't get those last three points and they came back, and that's really tough."

The second game was close until Watervliet (15-7) rattled off eight straight points that grew its lead to 22-12. Panthers freshman setter Grace

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Bridgman's Haylee Kanous and Peyton Oman celebrate a point against Watervliet during Wednesday night's district match at Watervliet High School.

Stafford on Reserve/ COVID-19 list, wife says he's negative

By LARRY LAGE
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DETROIT — Detroit Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford was placed on the Reserve/COVID-19 list, although his wife Kelly said on social media he tested negative.

It was the second straight day the team gave a player the designation. The Reserve/COVID-19 list was created for players who either test positive or have been in close contact with an infected person.

The Lions announced Stafford's status on Wednesday after finishing practice. Earlier in the day, coach Matt Patricia said there was no requirement to shut down the team's training facility. Some NFL teams have closed their training centers after players and or staff members tested positive for COVID-19.

"There's no need for any of that, as far as our situation," Patricia said a couple hours before leading practice. "I can't speak to the future.

"Everybody across the country, especially in Michigan right now, with the cases going up, really no one knows what the next day is going to look like. We just have to do the best we can to stay safe."

The Lions put linebacker Jarrad Davis on the list Tuesday.

Detroit (3-4) plays at Minnesota (2-5) on Sunday, and Stafford's status is unknown.

Stafford's backups are Chase Daniel and David Blough. The 34-year-old Daniel has started five games in his career. Blough started five games last year with the Lions after they acquired the undrafted rookie from the Cleveland Browns.

Three months ago, the Lions removed Stafford from the COVID-19 list after saying he received a false positive test result. The news received a lot of attention due to his stature in the league and because his wife had surgery last year to remove a brain tumor.

Tony Ding / AP

Detroit Lions quarterback Matthew Stafford throws during the first half of a game against the Indianapolis Colts on Sunday.

In virus era, bubbles provide game-changing lessons learned

By TIM REYNOLDS and STEPHEN WHYNO
AP Sports Writers

The NBA wants to be back in December. The NHL is aiming at games resuming in January. Baseball's spring training may begin in February, like normal.

They almost certainly won't be in bubbles if and when any or all of that happens.

But many of the lessons learned from being in some form of a bubble environment – where the NBA, NHL and Major League Baseball each crowned a champion after finding a way to finish their seasons in most unusual circumstances – could apply to whatever the new definition of normal is for those and other sports.

A new set of rules are coming in just about every sport, almost all with enhanced health and safety in mind. If they work, games could return to arenas and stadiums with some fans in attendance sometime soon. Perhaps more importantly, they could also provide some common-sense solutions to virus issues in the real world.

"The testing isn't what made it successful, the testing sort of showed that it was successful," said NBA senior vice president David Weiss, who helped oversee all the health and safety efforts at the Walt Disney World bubble in Lake Buena Vista, Florida. "But the thing that made it successful in the first place was the adherence to all those protocols that most people can follow most of the time in their lives."

There was no magic bullet in the NBA or NHL bubbles: Masks were worn, hand sanitizing was stressed constantly and social distancing was required at all times.

The NBA had teams in the bubble for three months, with the Los Angeles Lakers winning that title. The NHL playoff bubble lasted 65 days, from the time teams arrived in Toronto and Edmonton, Alberta, until Tampa Bay won the Stanley Cup. Officials from both leagues noted that mask, distancing and other protocols were still being followed strictly on the final day.

"It was unique," NHL deputy commissioner Bill Daly said, "but hopefully a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

So what happens now?

Even as coronavirus numbers are spiking again across much of the U.S., experts don't think it's a pipe dream to have fans, even indoors, with a combination of some screening, masks, distancing and planning how they enter and exit.

"Rapid testing would really change the number of people that you can bring in safely," said Ryan Demmer, a University of Minnesota associate professor of epidemiology and community health. "It's hard to say what the exact number would be. I would not feel comfortable with a full stadium. But maybe instead of 10 or 15 percent, you could get to 50 or 60 percent, which is still pretty meaningful in terms of revenues."

That is a huge part of the what-happens-next equation. The NHL estimates half of its revenue comes from ticket holders. MLB says it missed revenue projections by about $3 billion. The NBA missed its financial mark by $1.5 billion.

Baseball had some fans for games as the playoffs progressed. College football and the NFL play before very small crowds now in most cities, limited because of the virus. Finding ways to get more fans into games – safely – going forward is paramount.

"We understand what happens with fans is going to be a product of what happens with the virus, what decisions public health authorities make in terms of mass gatherings," baseball Commissioner Rob Manfred told The Associated Press last month. "It is a huge issue for us in terms of the economics of the game."

Baseball nearly made it through its version of playoff bubbles unscathed; two innings before the World Series ended, Justin Turner of the now-champion Los Angeles Dodgers was pulled from the game after MLB was notified that he had tested positive for COVID-19. He was quarantined in a doctor's office off to the side, then later returned to the field with a mask to celebrate the Dodgers' title. He then took down his mask and posed for a team photo on the field, a violation of coronavirus protocols.

The WNBA played its 2020 bubble in Bradenton, Florida. A few players had false positives, but things mostly ran smoothly – more proof that adherence to rules pays off.

"No one got COVID inside our bubble," said Dan Carlin, CEO and founder of JobSiteCare, which provided the WNBA with its medical staff. "People showed up with COVID. This was a tremendous amount of work to get these people out of circulation before they infected anyone."

Border and travel restrictions affect the NHL more than any other pro league because seven of 31 teams are based in Canada, which could require some adjustments from the bubble like an all-Canadian division or potentially "pods" around North American hosting games, at least to start next season. Baseball's Toronto Blue Jays played their home games in Buffalo this year; cities are lining up to woo the NBA's Toronto Raptors for next season, though they remain focused on playing at home.

"We're at the mercy – and we respect it – of governments: state governments, federal governments, provincial governments," NHL senior executive vice president Steve Mayer said.

The NHL learned it doesn't necessarily need to physically fence in players and staff for any quarantine situations next season. The NBA doesn't want another bubble experience. That doesn't mean many of the bubble protocols and principles will be forgotten.

"Wherever we are playing games, you're going to want to try to limit interactions with kind of our core people and kind of the outside uncontrolled people," Daly said. "It's all about, I think, minimizing risk, and so there are a lot of elements of the bubble that will translate to what's next."

The one area where everyone agrees: If fans are coming back, they'll be in masks.

Harvard's Dr. John Spengler, who participated in a ventilation study of ice rinks at Purdue, said there are significant carbon dioxide discharges from players and that there's no substitution for mask-wearing among those in the stands to prevent the spread of something as contagious as this coronavirus.

"Some of the basics that we saw around really consistent use of masks, really focusing on distance, really being careful about settings that involve eating and drinking and really rigorous and hygiene and cleaning, you saw all of that," Weiss said. "That adds up to a lot of protection."

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Watervliet's Grace Chisek digs the ball during Wednesday night's district match against Bridgman at Watervliet High School.

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Chisek had four aces in this stretch, and Dietz had three kills.

Dietz finished with 16 kills and 16 digs, and Chisek had 10 digs and 34 assists.

Bridgman (13-15) slowly took control of the third game, getting strong performances from sophomore hitters Peyton Oman and Takiya Cornelius. Both players finished with 15 kills, and Oman also had 34 digs.

The Bees only lead of the final game was 1-0. They closed their deficit to 20-19 late, but Watervliet then scored four straight points to pull away. Dietz and freshman Natalie Hart were strong offensively in the final set.

"In the third game, we just didn't capitalize," Daugherty said. "We made a lot of errors that gave (Bridgman) points. The fourth game we really focused on capitalizing on what we were doing on our side and making those adjustments.

"(Bridgman is) a young team too, which is great. They're nice and competitive They play a lot like we do, so that made it a lot of fun."

Watervliet played Brandywine earlier this season, losing the match but winning one of three games.

"Brandywine's a seasoned team," Daugherty said. "They've got a lot of juniors and seniors that are playing that have that extra playoff experience that a lot of my athletes don't have. But we're ready."

Bridgman can return its entire roster next season as it played without any seniors.

"I'm excited for this group," Ragosta said. "They're a very special group. They're really young."

WATERVLIET D. BRIDGMAN
25-23, 25-16, 22-25, 25-20

Watervliet — Grace Chisek 4 aces, 10 digs, 1 block, 34 assists; Samantha Dietz 3 aces, 16 digs, 2 blocks, 16 kills; Ellie Golden 1 ace, 11 digs; Natalie Hart 5 aces, 8 digs, 2 blocks, 6 kills; Myah Hobson 5 kills, 3 blocks; Addison Riley 3 kills, 3 blocks; Jaylie Querfurth 1 ace, 12 digs; Abbigayle Roberts 3 kills, 1 block; Tia Caldwell 2 aces, 3 digs.
Bridgman – Peyton Oman 1 ace, 15 kills, 34 digs; Haylee Kanous 1 kill, 34 assists, 2 blocks, 7 digs; Takiya Cornelius 15 kills, 4 blocks, 2 digs; Bella Gearheardt 2 kills, 4 digs; Ava Ward 2 digs; Javin Graves 1 ace, 1 kill, 2 blocks; Kylie Ott 2 digs; Bre Russell 13 digs; Kelcy Keller 1 ace, 1 kill, 23 digs; Lily Barker 1 block.
Records – Watervliet 15-7, Bridgman 13-15.

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Division 4
Edwardsburg 38, Vicksburg 17
Hastings 31, Paw Paw 21
Division 5
Lansing Catholic 42, South Haven 13
Kalamazoo United 28, Olivet 21
Division 6
Buchanan 42, Brandywine 14
Constantine 49, Parchment 7
Division 7
Schoolcraft 38, Delton Kellogg 20
Lawton 23, Homer 20
Division 8
Centreville 35, White Pigeon 24
Mendon 28, Reading 27
8-Player
Regional semifinals
Martin 56, New Buffalo 35
Lawrence 52, Marcellus 27
COLLEGE
Last week: 29-9, .748
Season: 130-32, .743
Tonight
Nevada 42, Utah St. 24
Wyoming 28, Colorado St. 27
Friday
BYU 34, Boise St. 31
Miami 30, N. C. State 21
San Diego St. 33, San Jose St. 22
Saturday
Notre Dame 34, Clemson 31
Indiana 31, Michigan 27
Iowa 27, Michigan State 23
Minnesota 38, Illinois 28
Ohio State 63, Rutgers 17
Penn State 42, Maryland 14
Northwestern 31, Nebraska 28
Appalachian St. 45, Texas St. 20
Army 28, Air Force 24
Arkansas 27, Tennessee 24
Boston College 35, Syracuse 24
C. Carolina 34, S. Alabama 17
Cincinnati 34, Houston 24
Florida St. 28, Pittsburgh 27
Fresno St. 42, UNLV 31
Georgia 31, Florida 28
Georgia St. 42, La.-Monroe 27
Hawaii 33, New Mexico 23
Iowa State 31, Baylor 13
Louisiana 28, Arkansas St. 17
Marshall 52, UMass 8
Memphis 42, S. Florida 21
Miss. State 34, Vanderbilt 14
N. Carolina 38, Duke 28
Oklahoma 56, Kansas 7
Oklahoma St. 38, Kansas St. 28
Oregon 38, Stanford 24
Oregon St. 31, Washington St. 28
Rice 36, San Antonio 33
Southern Miss. 37, N. Alabama 21
SMU 38, Temple 20
TCU 27, Texas Tech 20
Texas 33, W. Virginia 28
Texas A&M 35, S. Carolina 24
Tulane 31, E. Carolina 27
Tulsa 34, Navy 23
UCLA 30 Colorado 23
USC 34, Arizona St. 24
Utah 32, Arizona 22
Va. Tech 35, Liberty 10
Virginia 24, Louisville 23
Washington 34, California 31

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SCOREBOARD

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Atlantic Coast Conference

	Conference				All Games			
	W	L	PF	PA	W	L	PF	PA
Clemson	6	0	274	109	7	0	323	109
Notre Dame	5	0	157	62	6	0	209	62
Miami	4	1	166	119	5	1	197	133
NC State	4	2	189	205	4	2	189	205
North Carolina	4	2	230	169	4	2	230	169
Virginia Tech	4	2	226	183	4	2	226	183
Wake Forest	3	2	156	135	4	2	222	149
Boston College	3	3	169	163	4	3	193	184
Pittsburgh	2	4	125	167	3	4	180	167
Virginia	2	4	163	199	2	4	163	199
Georgia Tech	2	4	129	229	2	5	150	278
Florida St.	1	4	96	186	2	4	137	210
Duke	1	5	128	184	2	5	181	203
Louisville	1	5	171	186	2	5	206	207
Syracuse	1	5	112	195	1	6	133	233

Big Ten Conference

East	W	L	PF	PA
Indiana	2	0	73	56
Ohio St.	2	0	90	42
Maryland	1	1	48	87
Michigan	1	1	73	51
Michigan St.	1	1	54	62
Rutgers	1	1	59	64
Penn St.	0	2	60	74
West				
Northwestern	2	0	64	23
Purdue	2	0	55	44
Wisconsin	1	0	45	7
Illinois	0	2	31	76
Iowa	0	2	40	45
Minnesota	0	2	68	94
Nebraska	0	1	17	52

NFL

Thursday's Game
Green Bay at San Francisco, 8:20 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 8
Baltimore at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Denver at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
Houston at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Washington, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Las Vegas at L.A. Chargers, 4:05 p.m.
Miami at Arizona, 4:25 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Dallas, 4:25 p.m.
New Orleans at Tampa Bay, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 9
New England at N.Y. Jets, 8:15 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 12
Indianapolis at Tennessee, 8:20 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 15
Houston at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Phila. at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Denver at Las Vegas, 4:05 p.m.
L.A. Chargers at Miami, 4:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 4:25 p.m.
San Francisco at New Orleans, 4:25 p.m.
Seattle at L.A. Rams, 4:25 p.m.
Baltimore at New England, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 16
Minnesota at Chicago, 8:15 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL SCOREBOARD

By HP STAFF

Volleyball

Division 2 district at Niles

EDWARDSBURG D. BERRIEN SPRINGS 25-13, 25-14, 25-17

Berrien Springs — Kirsten Krause 1 block, 4 digs, 11 assists; Jessy Silva 14 digs; Gabby Cuthbert 2 blocks, 3 kills, 5 digs; Sarah Davey 2 blocks, 4 kills, 1 dig; Jakyrah Parker 3 blocks, 3 kills; Ellie Griffiths 1 block, 3 kills, 1 ace, 8 digs, 1 assist; Olivia Elliott 1 block, 4 kills, 8 digs, 4 assists.

NILES D. DOWAGIAC 25-17, 25-19, 25-11

Complete results unavailable

CROSS

From page B1

Section 2 at 11:30 a.m.

Churchill noted that the format of the race isn't necessarily perfect, but it works just fine as a way to cap off the season, given the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic.

"We have to be thankful there is a state meet," she said. "A few months ago, we were told there would be no finals. The right people got together and came up with a plan that works for the athletes, and I'm thankful for that.

"The multiple races are far from ideal, but it's going to work and kids get to compete. That's all that matters."

Other area teams competing include Berrien Springs boys in Division 2, Section 2 (2 p.m. Friday), Lake Michigan Catholic boys in Division 4, Section 1 (1:30 p.m. Saturday) and Lawrence boys in Division 4, Section 2 (2:00 p.m. Saturday).

The Shamrocks qualified as a team for the fifth straight season by placing second in last weekend's regional, led by sixth and eighth place finishes by James Burke and Ashton Sheline, respectively.

Berrien coach Charlie Richards said he's leaning on the experience of Burke and Sheline, as well as Sam Markle and Nathaniel Bittner, to help lead the Shamrocks.

"(Those runners) have run in a combined eight state meets. We're relying heavily on our experience and steadiness to hopefully surprise ourselves and the field," he said. "Getting second in the region and losing to (Battle Creek Harper Creek) has humbled and motivated the group to try and improve on their 18th-place finish last year. This is our second year in (Division 2), and hopefully a top-15 finish is in order."

Richards also noted the new format may cause a delay in the final results, but he still sees potential for athletes to work towards some quicker times with a more open field.

"A course as wide open and vast as MIS with only 126 runners will feel more like a race with a field of 50," he said. "Kids will be compacted due to their similar abilities, but there will still be gaps, which is often not the case when it comes to the normal MIS environment.

"The real concern is waiting for overall results," he added. "Of course we'll have technology, but we'll still have to play the waiting game. All we can do is run our best on the day and see where we end up."

Also in Division 2, Lakeshore's Race Bettich will compete individually in the Section 1 boys race at 1:30 p.m. Friday. Bettich recently set a Lakeshore High School record for fastest time in a 5k cross country race, and was also the individual regional champion last week. His fastest time this season (15:46.5) currently ranks him sixth in D2.

No area teams are competing in Division 1, but St. Joseph freshman Grace Kelley will compete in the Section 1 girls race Friday morning as an individual after running a personal-best time of 19:32 at last weekend's regional.

Bridgman's Luke Blesy and John Sanderson, Buchanan's Walker Barz and Ryan Young, as well as Watervliet's Ezra Troyer, all qualified for the Division 3 boys race and will take off in the Section 1 heat at 9:30 a.m. Saturday. Karsyn Stewart of Bridgman and Eleanor Young of Buchanan will race in the D3, Section 1 girls race at 11 a.m.

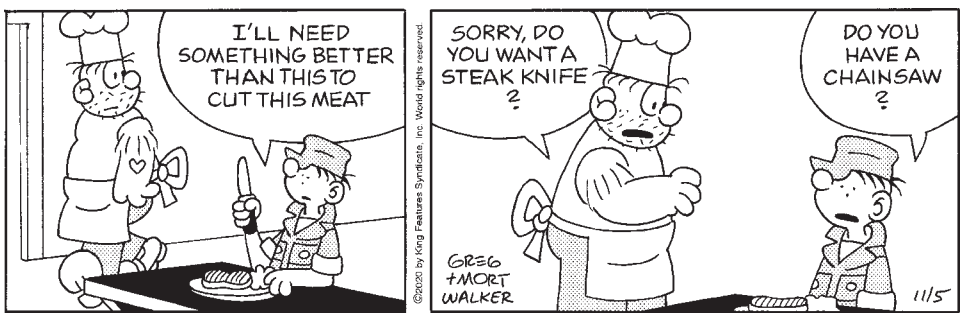
In Division 4, individual qualifiers include Joel Chandler of Grace Christian and Adam Blankenship of Eau Claire in the boys Section 1 race at 2 p.m. Saturday. Allison Glendening of Lake Michigan Catholic, Ericka Lopez of Eau Claire and Madeline Madsen of Lawrence qualified on the girls side (Section 1, 3:00 p.m. Saturday).

Niles' Eva Shepherd will compete individually in the D2 girls race.

AREA QUALIFIERS

Division 1
Boys: none
Girls: Grace Kelley – St. Joseph (Section 1; 11:00 a.m. Friday)
Division 2
Boys: Berrien Springs – team (Section 2; 2:00 p.m. Friday); Race Bettich – Lakeshore (Section 1; 1:30 p.m. Friday).
Girls: Eva Shepherd – Niles (Section 1; 3:00 p.m. Friday)
Division 3
Boys: Coloma – team (Section 1; 9:30 a.m. Saturday); Luke Blesy – Bridgman (Section 1); John Sanderson – Bridgman (Section 1); Ezra Troyer – Watervliet (Section 1); Walker Barz – Buchanan (Section 1); Ryan Young – Buchanan (Section 1)
Girls: Coloma – team (Section 2; 11:30 a.m. Saturday); Karsyn Stewart – Bridgman (Section 1; 11:00 a.m. Saturday); Eleanor Young – Buchanan (Section 1)
Division 4
Boys: Lake Michigan Catholic – team (Section 1; 1:30 p.m. Saturday); Lawrence – team (Section 2; 2:00 p.m. Saturday); Joel Chandler – Grace Christian (Section 1); Adam Blankenship – Eau Claire (Section 1)
Girls: Allison Glendening – Lake Mich. Catholic (Section 1; 3:00 p.m. Saturday); Ericka Lopez – Eau Claire (Section 1); Madeline Madsen – Lawrence (Section 1).

BEETLE BAILEY


I'LL NEED SOMETHING BETTER THAN THIS TO CUT THIS MEAT
SORRY, DO YOU WANT A STEAK KNIFE ?
DO YOU HAVE A CHAINSAW ?
GREG + MORT WALKER
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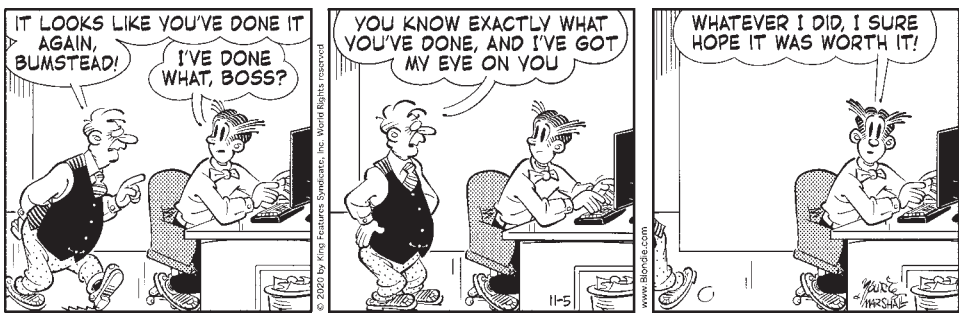
IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE DONE IT AGAIN, BUMSTEAD!
I'VE DONE WHAT, BOSS?
YOU KNOW EXACTLY WHAT YOU'VE DONE, AND I'VE GOT MY EYE ON YOU
WHATEVER I DID, I SURE HOPE IT WAS WORTH IT!
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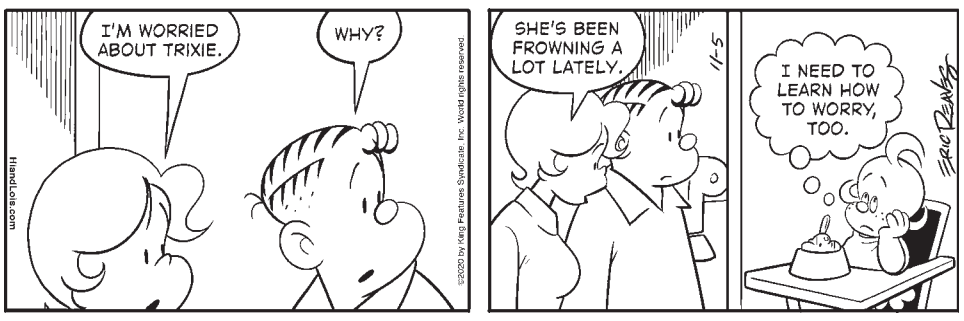
HI & LOIS


I'M WORRIED ABOUT TRIXIE.
WHY?
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SHE'S BEEN FROWNING A LOT LATELY.
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I NEED TO LEARN HOW TO WORRY, TOO.
ERIC REASNER

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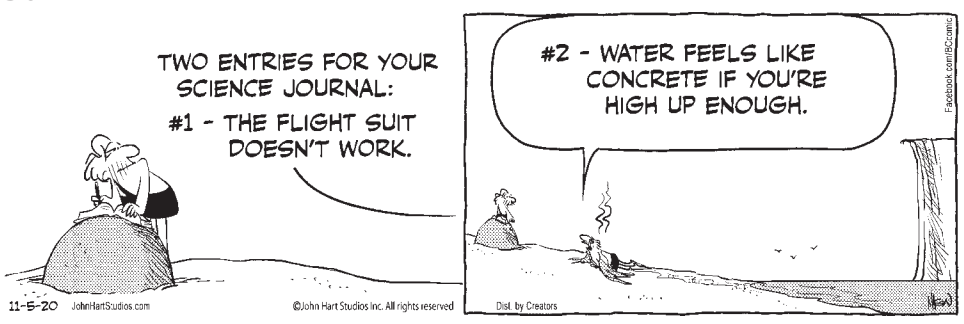
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SPOOK! THE KING'S ROYAL HUNTING DOG IS SICK
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NOT SURE WHAT THAT HAS TO DO WITH ME
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HONESTLY, I'M JUST GLAD TO BE OUTSIDE
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DILBERT

I DRINK SO MUCH COFFEE THAT I DEVELOPED A TOLERANCE FOR IT.
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DO YOU HAVE ANY KIND OF MEDICAL-GRADE COFFEE THAT COULD TAKE ME TO THE NEXT LEVEL?
YES, BUT IT HAS TERRIBLE SIDE EFFECTS.
SKIP THE DETAILS AND SHOVE IT IN MY VEINS.
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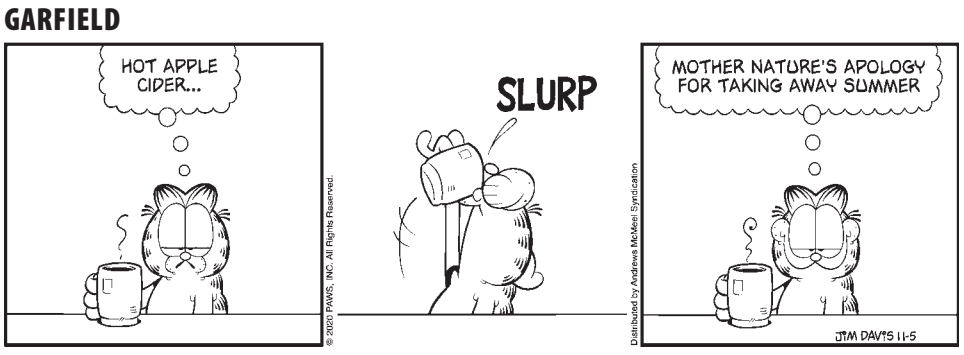
HOT APPLE CIDER...
SLURP
MOTHER NATURE'S APOLOGY FOR TAKING AWAY SUMMER
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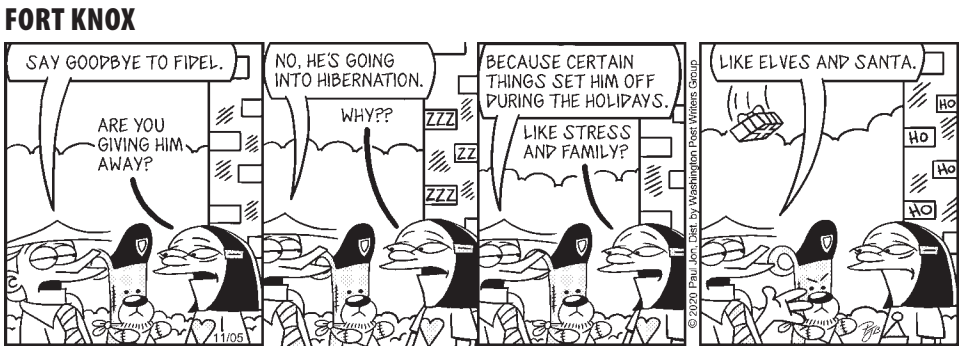
SAY GOODBYE TO FIDEL.
ARE YOU GIVING HIM AWAY?
NO, HE'S GOING INTO HIBERNATION.
WHY??
ZZZ
BECAUSE CERTAIN THINGS SET HIM OFF DURING THE HOLIDAYS.
LIKE STRESS AND FAMILY?
LIKE ELVES AND SANTA.
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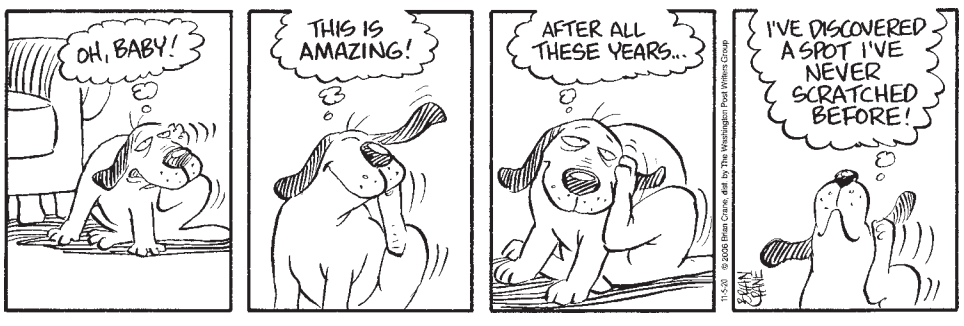
PICKLES


OH, BABY!
THIS IS AMAZING!
AFTER ALL THESE YEARS...
I'VE DISCOVERED A SPOT I'VE NEVER SCRATCHED BEFORE!
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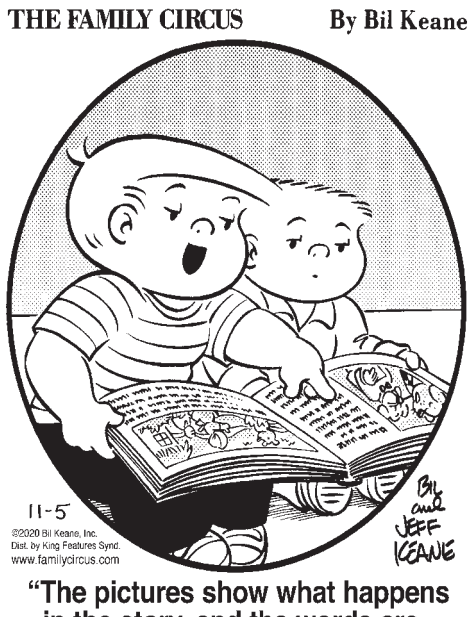
FAMILY CIRCUS

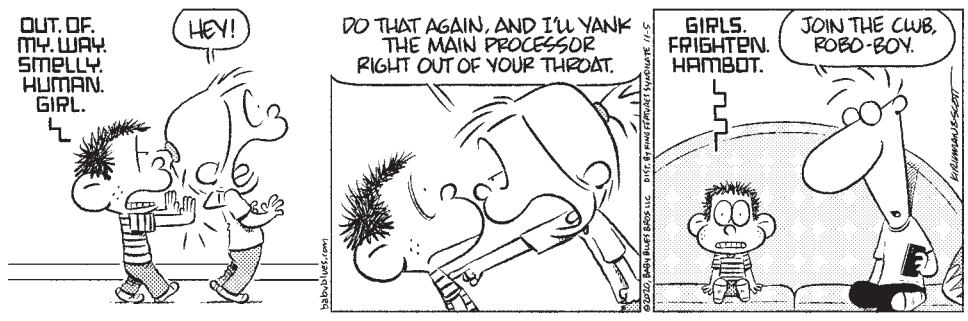


"The pictures show what happens in the story, and the words are the play-by-play."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"WATCH WHAT YOU SAY, DAD...I THINK MOM'S SUGGESTION BOX IS *FULL!*"

BABY BLUES


OUT. OF. MY. WAY. SMELLY. HUMAN. GIRL.
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DO THAT AGAIN, AND I'LL YANK THE MAIN PROCESSOR RIGHT OUT OF YOUR THROAT.
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GIRLS. FRIGHTEN. HAMBOT.
JOIN THE CLUB, ROBO-BOY.

CURTIS

A COMPANY MAKES MASKS THAT SMELL LIKE *BACON?!*
NOT JUST BACON! - HOT WINGS, FRIES, ICE CREAM, SLIDERS, EVEN BUBBLE GUM!
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THAT'S THE MOST AIR-BRAINED THING I'VE **EVER** *HEARD* OF!
IT'LL SELL A BILLION UNITS

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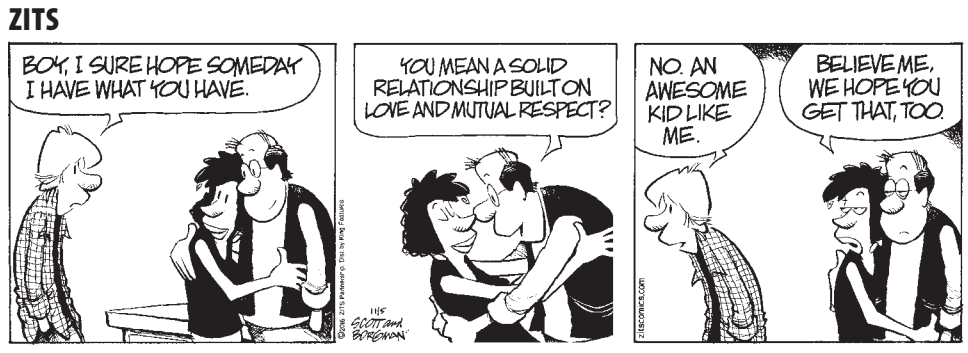
BOY, I SURE HOPE SOMEDAY I HAVE WHAT YOU HAVE.
YOU MEAN A SOLID RELATIONSHIP BUILT ON LOVE AND MUTUAL RESPECT?
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SCOTT and BORGMAN
NO. AN AWESOME KID LIKE ME.
BELIEVE ME, WE HOPE YOU GET THAT, TOO.
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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

WISE MAN, I GET HAPPINESS FROM MY FAMILY AND FULFILLMENT FROM MY JOB, BUT I'M **STILL** MISSING SOMETHING!
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PERHAPS A DEAR FRIEND WOULD PROVIDE WHATEVER YOU ARE MISSING!
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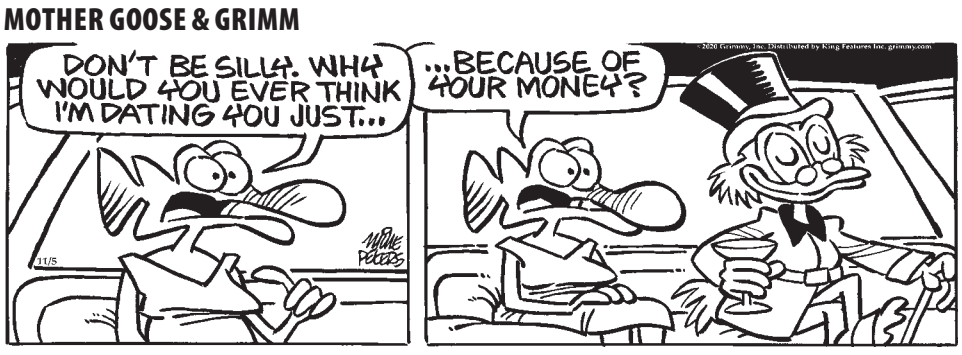
MY DEAR FRIEND, BUY ME A BOAT!
BROOME

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM


DON'T BE SILLY. WHY WOULD YOU EVER THINK I'M DATING YOU JUST...
...BECAUSE OF YOUR MONEY?
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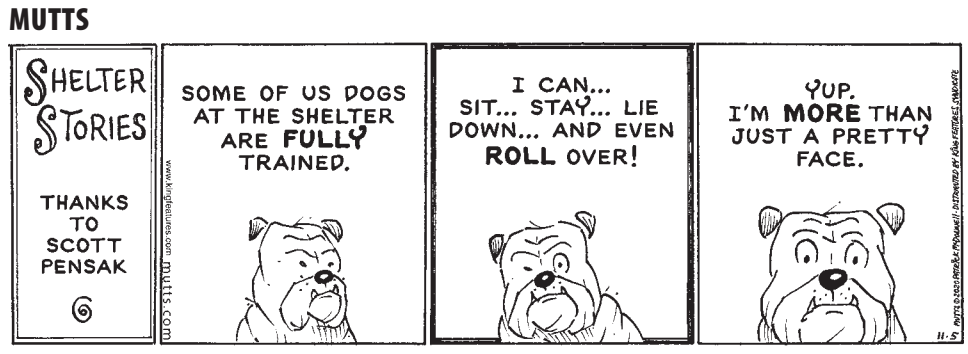
SHELTER STORIES
THANKS TO SCOTT PENSAK
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SOME OF US DOGS AT THE SHELTER ARE **FULLY** TRAINED.
I CAN... SIT... STAY... LIE DOWN... AND EVEN **ROLL** OVER!
YUP. I'M **MORE** THAN JUST A PRETTY FACE.
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SALLY FORTH

SO WHAT DO YOU THINK, JACKIE?
I DON'T KNOW...
WEEEE
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ON THE ONE HAND, IT'S BEEN, LIKE, FOREVER SINCE WE'VE ALL SEEN EACH OTHER AND IT WOULD BE GREAT TO DO THANKSGIVING TOGETHER. BUT ON THE OTHER HAND...
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RALPH ALREADY THOUGHT HE HAD AN OUT WITH THE PANDEMIC?
KINDA.
WHEN I WAS SINGLE I HAD PIZZA ROLLS FOR THANKSGIVING. LET'S BRING BACK THAT TRADITION!

The Herald-Palladium

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THIS WEEKEND'S ISSUE

Included in the Saturday edition

Parade
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2020 | PARADE.COM
Plus
Jamie Oliver's Seared Steak, p. 14
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How to support a cause, buy local or give a pet a home this holiday season
TheraBreath
Why is this MOUTHWASH more important than EVER?
(ANSWER INSIDE)

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Because of the condition of the county drain noted above, it is necessary to perform maintenance work on the drain that will include replacing a culvert on Holden Road. This work will necessitate an assessment to the drainage district. The expenditure exceeds the $5,000.00 spending limitation for the drain, noted in Section 196 of the Michigan Drain Code. Pursuant to the Drain Code, a resolution to exceed this expenditure limit was passed on August 18, 2020 by Lake Charter Township and August 26, 2020 by Weesaw Township. Costs will be will be shared by previously approved percentages among the properties in the Drain's drainage district including the Townships and the County of Berrien. The costs will be spread over five (5) years to alleviate some of the tax burden. The annual cost for the repairs will begin on the 2020 Winter Tax bill for property owners within the Sober & Becker Drain Drainage District. Respectfully, Christopher J. Quattrin, Berrien County Drain Commissioner

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HOROSCOPE

By EUGENIA LAST

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

Take the initiative to do things your way. Dedicate your time to what matters most. Leave nothing unfinished or unsaid. Make your plans known and your determination felt by those who may try to stand in your way. Set a course that excites you and enjoy the journey.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Hide your feelings from unscrupulous people. Make decisions based on what will help you get ahead. Don't pay for something you don't need.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Having a proper workspace will boost your productivity and give you the energy you need to take on more challenges. Romance is favored.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Strive to bring about change. The less talk and interaction you have with those who can disrupt your plans, the better. Present the finished product, not the idea.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Focus on physical strength, endurance and good health. Shared expenses or joint ventures aren't in your best interest. Practice social distancing. Personal improvements will pay off.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be part of the solution, not part of the problem, and you will encourage others to follow your lead. Stand up for what you believe in.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Refuse to let your emotions disrupt your day or an important relationship. A change may not be something you want or expect, but you'll benefit from what transpires.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Share pertinent, not personal, information. Be a good listener, friend and contributor. Patience will pay off when dealing with your responsibilities. Take care of red-tape issues.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't mince words. Be direct, honest and sincere to avoid repercussions. When in doubt, ask questions. Don't be too proud to admit your mistakes or let someone else take charge.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may disagree with what others do or say, but you don't have to change everyone's minds. Go about your business and give others the freedom to do the same.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Take action and make a difference. Don't get bogged down by paperwork or unfinished business. Don't expect things to run smoothly; prepare to fight for what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Embrace change and make it work for you. Expand your mind, and use your skills diversely. Don't take a risk when it comes to your health. Keep to a safe distance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Observe what everyone is doing and bide your time when it comes to getting involved in an unstable situation. Keep your distance from bullies and users. Focus on self-awareness.

GENERAL HELP

The City of South Haven is seeking a full-time Assistant City Manager to assist in directing the preparation of plans, policies and programs to guide the growth and conservation of the City. Working with department directors, manages physical planning and land development, economic development, City building codes and land use regulations, housing conservation and rehabilitation, and community development activities. Communicates before various audiences on complex and sensitive issues. Serves as the City's Harbormaster. Assists City Manager with functions of general government administration and special projects.

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GARAGE/ESTATE SALES

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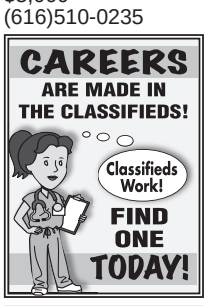

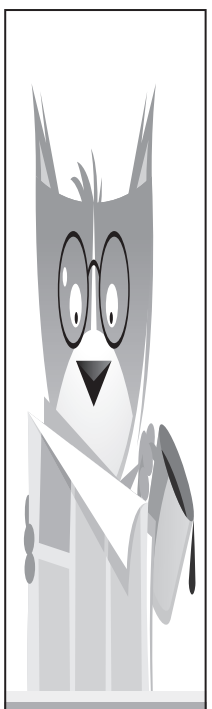

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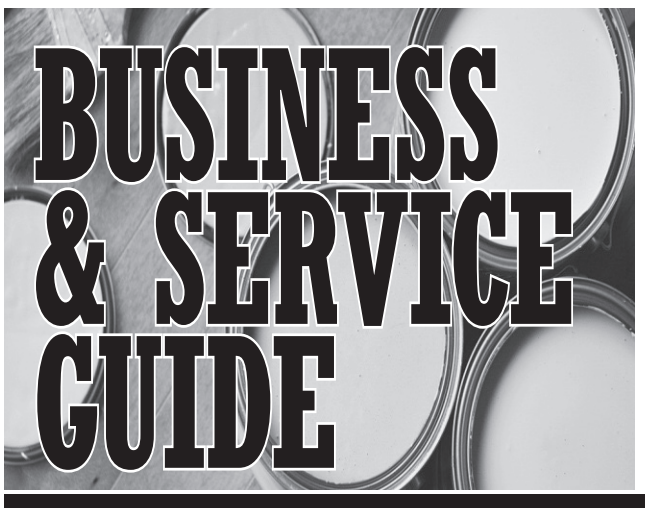

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IN BRIEF

Caple contributes to new kids book

ST. JOSEPH — Illustrator Laurie Caple has contributed to a new children's book released by the Minnesota Historical Society Press.

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The St. Joseph resident drew the images for "On the Shortest Day," a 32-page book about the winter solstice written by Laura Sulentich Fredrickson.

The book, for ages 3-7, was released last month.

Caple is an award-winning illustrator of more than 20 books. As a child, exploring the north woods fascinated her, according to the book jacket, and catching sight of forest creatures and sunsets still delight her.

Nowicki to talk owls

BRIDGMAN — Naturalist and environmental educator Andrew Nowicki will present a photo tour of owls commonly seen in Michigan during a program for Bridgman Public Library.

The Zoom program will begin at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. The meeting can be found at zoom.us/j/91013492617.

For questions, or more information, call 465-3663 or visit bridgmanlibrary.com.

WPS Foundation to hold virtual meeting

WATERVLIET — The Watervliet Public Schools Foundation for Excellence will hold a virtual meeting at 8:30 a.m. Nov. 17 via Zoom.

Those interested in attending should send an email to wps-foundation@watervlietps.org. You will be sent a link to the meeting.

Foundation board members will be introduced, the "I'm in For Twenty" campaign will be discussed, and Superintendent Ric Seager will talk about "Hot Spots."

A question-and-answer session will conclude the meeting.

The foundation is an independent nonprofit working to raise, steward and distribute resources to enrich the education of students in Watervliet Public Schools.

Food for Fines starts Nov. 16 in Bridgman

BRIDGMAN — Bridgman Public Library, 4460 Lake St., will hold its Food for Fines program from Nov. 16 through Jan. 9

For patrons who owe fines for overdue materials, or who have items that are due back to the library, this is the time to take care of them.

The library will accept unopened, un-expired, nonperishable food items, paper products, laundry detergent, dish soap and disposable diapers as payment for any amount of overdue fines.

Donations will be given to two local food pantries – Our Lady Queen of Peace and Woodland Shores Baptist Church – who in turn will distribute the items to the Bridgman/Lake Township community.

Don't have any fines? The library will accept your canned goods, too.

Donations will only cover overdue fines, not lost/damaged fees.

When bringing in donations, check in at the front desk so staff can remove fines from your account.

SH Rotary celebrates Arbor Day late

SOUTH HAVEN — Arbor Day came and went without its usual fanfare last spring because of the COVID-19 pandemic, but it wasn't forgotten by members of the South Haven Rotary Club.

Late last month, the Rotarians continued their annual tree planting tradition by placing two trees in Stanley Johnston Park.

Rotary President Dan Thompson and fellow Rotarians joined City Manager Kate Hosier and city arborist Aaron Priebe in planting two Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry trees.

The trees will have spring flowers, handsome green leaves, striking orange to red fall color and silver bark.

The Rotary Club works with Priebe in determining locations for the annual project. This year's trees replace two deteriorating spruces near the Johnston Park formal garden along Dyckman Avenue.

South Haven has been recognized as a Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation for the past 16 years. Priebe said, this fall, city workers planted 28 trees in the city.

Photo provided

From left, Mike Livovich, Kate Hosier, Aaron Priebe and Dan Thompson plant a tree at Stanley Johnston Park.

ABE AMONG ROYALTY

Richard Veit, portraying former President Abraham Lincoln, stands among Hartford royalty during the grand opening of the new Hartford Public Library last month.

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Campus for Creative Aging announces upcoming class lineup

ST. JOSEPH — The Campus for Creative Aging, 2920 Lakeview Ave., has announced its next set of classes.

All of the free classes will be held via Zoom:

■ New to Medicare: 1-3 p.m. today, register at bit.ly/3mIcviw

■ Intro to Microsoft Excel: 9-10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Nov. 12 (three sessions), register at bit.ly/34Ucja1

■ Diabetes PATH (Personal Action Towards Health): 1:30-2:30 p.m. Tuesday, register at bit.ly/34NbCPC

■ Zoom 101: 2-3 p.m. Tuesday, register at bit.ly/2HQAnBn

■ The Power of Podcasts: 2-3 p.m. Nov. 17, register at bit.ly/3jNOS67

■ Online and Email Scams in 2020: From COVID-19 to Elections: 2-3:30 p.m. Nov. 19, register at bit.ly/3mPf0jb

■ There Really *Is* An App For That: 2-3 p.m. Dec. 1, register at bit.ly/2TL1yQN

■ Developing Dementia Dexterity: 2-3:30 p.m. Dec. 3, register at bit.ly/2HQzJ6V

■ Keep Your Microsoft Windows Computers Safe: 2-3:30 p.m. Dec. 9, register at bit.ly/35VOwpp

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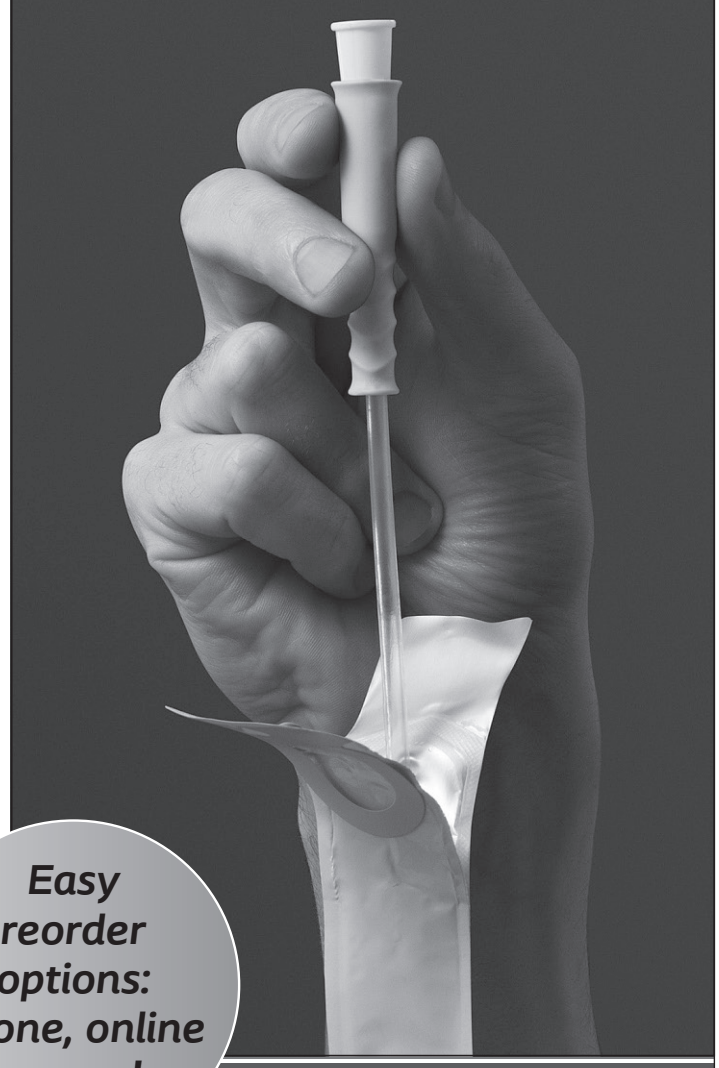

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